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AMERICAN WARNING TO JAPAN

TREATY POWERS WATCHFUL
STRONG OPPOSITION TO AUTONOMY
GLOOM SETTLES OVER PEIPING CHINESE

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Washington, Dec. 5.
Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, today impliedly warned Japan against violation of the Nine Power Pact and other treaties affecting North China.
The American Minister said that unusual developments in any part of China were of interest not only to China but to all treaty powers whose rights and obligations with respect to China were identical.
Mr. Hull did not mention Japan specifically, but said the United States "regards it as most important that in the current period of world-wide political unrest and economic instability governments and peoples should keep faith in their principles and pledges."
He said opinions vary regarding what is transpiring in North China, "but whatever the origin and whoever the agents may be, the fact stands out that an effort is being made, and being resisted, to bring about a substantial change in the political status and conditions in several of China's northern provinces."—United Press.

GLOOM IN PEIPING
Peiping, Dec. 6.
With General Sun Chih-yuan's mysterious departure and the alleged Chinese insult to the Japanese military in Peiping, profound gloom has replaced the recent optimism that a solution would be found for the North China crisis.
The nature of the affront to the Japanese military, of which the Japanese Army is taking "a serious view" is not specified. It is believed, however, that it revolves around the arrest by Chinese police in Peiping of four Japanese, on a charge of illegally entering the home of a Chinese resident and demanding settlement of an alleged debt.
It was subsequently found that one of those arrested was a Japanese gendarme in plain clothes.—Reuter.

BRITISH ATTITUDE
London, Dec. 5.
Replying to questions in the House of Commons, Sir Samuel Hoare, Foreign Secretary, said that both the Japanese and Chinese Governments were fully aware of the British Government's attitude regarding the protection of British interests in China.
Sir Samuel added that the situation, particularly in North China, was being closely watched by the British Ambassadors, but at the moment it does not appear to call for the taking of any special steps.—Reuter.

APPEAL TO ALL NATIONS
Washington, Dec. 5.
Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, has given notice to the world that the United States does not look with equanimity upon the autonomy movement in North China. He calls upon all nations to respect existing treaties.
He does not mention Japan in his formal statement, but observers believe he was alluding to that power when he said:
"Whatever the origin or whatever the agents, the fact stands out that an effort is being made, and being resisted, to bring about a substantial change in the political status and conditions in several of China's northern provinces."
Unusual developments in any part of China are rightly and necessarily of concern not alone to the United States and the people of China but to all the many powers who have interests in China. For in their relations with China and in China treaty rights and obligations of the treaty powers are in general identical.

AMERICAN INTERESTS
"In the area under reference the interests of the United States are similar to those of other powers. The American Government therefore is closely observing what is happening there."
Mr. Hull added that in this period of world-wide political unrest and economic instability, it was most important that Governments and peoples keep faith in their principles and pledges they had given.
Japanese activities are mentioned in a foreword to the statement, explaining Mr. Hull's remarks, which were issued in response to press inquiries.
The rumour of joint Anglo-American action in North China is still unconfirmed.—Reuter.



Sir Samuel Hoare, who lengthily reviewed British foreign policy in the House of Commons yesterday.

CHARGED BEFORE LORDS
YOUNG PEER FREE ON BAIL
IMPRESSIVE CEREMONIES

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Dec. 5.
Lord de Clifford, who is being charged with manslaughter in connection with the death, on August 19, of Mr. Douglas George Hopkins, motor engineer, as the result of a motor accident, surrendered to the House of Lords to-day, preparatory to his trial, on December 12.
The accused was taken to the Earl Marshal's room until the opening of the House of Lords, when he was brought by Black Rod to the bar of the House, where he knelt on both knees.
Amid profound silence, the Lord Chancellor told Lord de Clifford that he might rise, and invited him to address the House, if he wished, or to retire. Accused then retired without speaking.
Lord Onslow then moved that Lord de Clifford be admitted to bail, to which he offered personal recognizances.
After the motion was agreed to, Lord de Clifford was again brought to the bar of the House, where he was informed that bail had been granted, and he thereupon retired.—Reuter.

NEW POST FOR MR. RIDDELL
OIL CONTROVERSY NOT INVOLVED

Ottawa, Dec. 5.
It is announced that Mr. W. R. Riddell, the Canadian representative at Geneva, has been appointed to attend the International Labour Conference in Chile. His departure has no connection with his action on November 2 in suggesting an oil embargo against Italy, according to a statement by the acting Prime Minister.
The acting Premier states that Mr. Riddell was assigned to Chile a fortnight ago, before the Dominion Government statement of December 1, in which Mr. Riddell's statement was declared to be a personal one and not officially emanating from the Government.
The Government will immediately select an official to replace Mr. Riddell at Geneva.—Reuter.

TRAFFICKING IN CURRENCIES
ITALIAN BANKERS PUNISHED

Rome, Dec. 5.
A vast scheme for trafficking in currencies has been discovered, and the head of a Roman bank, charged in connection therewith, has been fined a million lire and been banished to Lipari Islands.
Sixteen members of the bank staff have been fined sums ranging from 500 to 15,000 lire.—Reuter.

ITALY TO RESIST EMBARGO
AMERICAN FIRMS LENDING AID
REPEATED REPORTS

(Special to "Telegraph")

Paris, Dec. 5.
Despite the Italian Government's denial, the Rome correspondent of Le Matin asserts that negotiations have been successfully concluded between Italy and the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey whereby, in the event of the oil embargo being voted in Geneva, the Company will furnish Italy with all the oil she requires.
In the event of a blockade operating in the Mediterranean, the needs of the Italian Expeditionary Force would be covered by sending the consignments via the Far East.
The Italian Government, in return, will give the Company a thirty years' monopoly in the supply of oil to the Government.
The correspondent also declares that Italy has discussed with American firms the question of opening a credit of a thousand million gold lire to develop the Albanian oil-fields, from which, Italian Government officials are reported to have said, Italy could obtain within a year 300,000 tons of oil.—Reuter.

BITTER BATTLE NOW NEAR
Mighty Armies Face One Another

Rome, Dec. 5.
Intensive activity is apparent on the part of Italian advance outposts and the strong advance patrols of the Ethiopian army which is advancing towards Makale, according to messages received here.
Contact between the main bodies of the two great armies is expected shortly and high Italian military officers express the hope that the Ethiopians will play into Italy's hands by attacking on the Eritrean front.—Reuter.

NOT WORRIED
Rome, Dec. 5.
An authoritative source says the Vacuum Oil Company has completed arrangements to construct a modern oil refinery at Naples at a cost of 75,000,000 lire.
This is regarded as evidence that the prospect of an embargo does not worry American oil men.—United Press.

U. S. AID EMBARGO?
Washington, Dec. 5.
It is reported that the Administration's advisers desire one word to be amended in the Neutrality Act, thus permitting an oil embargo and leaving other semi-munitions, such as cotton, copper, etc., for later consideration.
It is believed the League of Nations action on oil on December 12 will influence the Administration's attitude and may decide whether oil will be subject to a mandatory embargo with other munitions.
Meanwhile, it is believed that the State Department is awaiting its envoys' reports on the rumored deal between Italy and a Standard Oil Company of New Jersey subsidiary.—United Press.

COMPANY'S DENIAL
New York, Dec. 5.
The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey has issued a statement to the effect that, with one unimportant exception, no Standard Oil interests have made shipments to Italy of what might be termed "war business."
The Company has held that nothing should be done by any citizen to embarrass the efforts of the United States Government to avoid entanglement in European political situation.
The Company adds that when an extraordinary demand for oil for war operations developed, the Standard Oil Company, as a majority owner of an old-established domestic company in Italy, was in a favoured position and gets this expanded business, but did not take it. The Company's total shipments to Italy so far, plus those to be made for the remainder of December, are actually less than the shipments in 1934.—Reuter.



Mr. Cordell Hull, U.S. Secretary of State, who has made an outspoken declaration on the North China situation, calling on all nations to respect existing treaties.

AIR PACT URGENTLY REQUIRED
BRITISH POLICY ON ARMAMENTS
LITTLE HOPE OF PROGRESS

London, Dec. 5.
In the House of Commons, Sir Samuel Hoare, Foreign Secretary, speaking on foreign affairs during the debate on the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne, denied that there had been any change of foreign policy since the departure of Sir John Simon.
The Government, he said, had made a fresh attempt to discuss armament reduction with Herr Hitler, but he regretted that the present German view was that as long as the Ethiopian war continued, there was little to be gained by continuing the discussions.
Sir Samuel declared that an Air Pact and a reduction in air armaments were urgently needed, and the Government would lose no opportunity in resuming the discussions on these issues, hoping to bring them to a successful termination.
Dealing with Colonial raw materials, Sir Samuel recalled his speech at Geneva, in which he admitted the anxiety of certain countries not possessing raw materials. He said he believed the problem was economic, not political, and added that the Government was ready for investigation in a calm and dispassionate atmosphere, but it could not discuss the matter with any hope of settlement in an atmosphere of war.—Reuter.

NO NAVAL ACCORD?
London, Dec. 5.
Sir Samuel Hoare's remarks in the House of Commons in regard to (Continued on Page 7.)

RADICALS FAIL TO AGREE
LAVAL GOVERNMENT STILL INSECURE

Paris, Dec. 5.
The fate of the Government still hangs in the balance.
The debate in the Chamber has been adjourned until to-morrow morning. There was a meeting of Radical Socialists this evening at which it was hoped to secure agreement on policy. The meeting was without result. The group meets again to-morrow afternoon.—Reuter.

DE BONO BACK IN ITALY
WARM WELCOME GIVEN AT ROME

Rome, Dec. 5.
Marshal de Bono, on his return from the Ethiopian front, was greeted by Signor Mussolini and a crowd of three thousand people on his arrival at the station, which was guarded by a double line of Black Shirts.
The platform was occupied by a large group of Fascist officials, including the Presidents of the Senate and the Chamber and other notables. The Fascist Militia provided a guard of honour, while large numbers of the carabinieri were on parade.—Reuter.

HOPES OF PEACE DASHED
ITALY ANTICIPATES NO SETTLEMENT
OPTIMISM IS WITHOUT FOUNDATION

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Rome, Dec. 5.
An official spokesman said to-day that Italy sees no foundation for foreign optimism regarding the possibility of an Italo-Ethiopian settlement. He said that Franco-British conversations, without Italian participation, had no significance. "We know nothing about them, and have received no communications, and therefore see no foundation for optimism," he declared.—United Press.

OPTIMISM UNJUSTIFIED
Rome, Dec. 5.
Italy can see no reason for optimism regarding the peace talks in European capitals. According to authoritative sources, it is the opinion of the Government that no new features have become apparent to justify this optimism.
The same circles deny any negotiations in this connection, and the work of the British and French experts who are seeking a peace formula is believed to be of a purely technical nature.—Reuter.

HOARE'S PEACE QUEST
DETERMINED TO END WAR
SOLIDARITY AT GENEVA

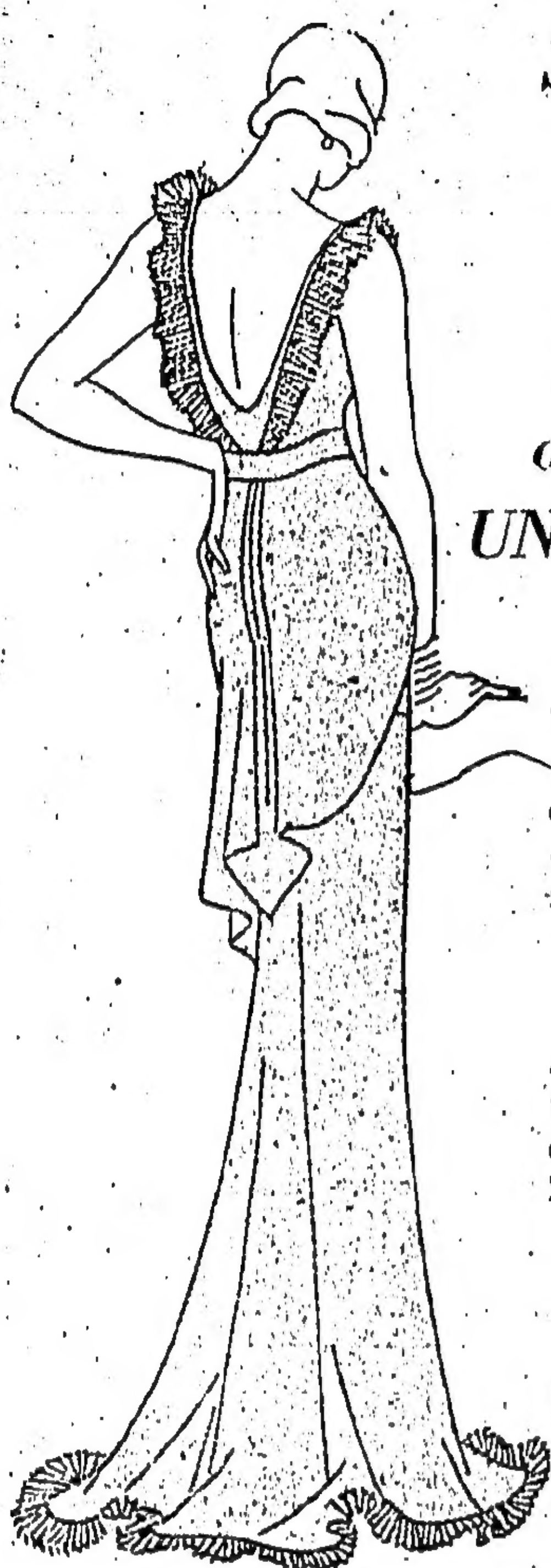
London, Dec. 5.
Dealing with the position in relation to Ethiopia, during the Foreign Affairs debate in the House of Commons to-day, Sir Samuel Hoare, the Foreign Secretary, said that the League's sanctions were working well and that the situation was being constantly watched so that if gaps were found every effort could be made to strengthen the common front.

He said the League had already agreed in principle to an oil embargo, and the question still to be decided was whether action by non-members of the League would render the League's embargo ineffective.
He emphasised that no one Government was any more responsible than others for the collective decision, or indeed for any of the sanctions proposals.
Having refuted the charge that British oil companies had exploited the situation, Sir Samuel said delay of the meeting of the Committee of Eighteen was unavoidable. It was necessary that France should be adequately represented there. Delay meant no weakening of the members' attitude, but it did give them an opportunity for further intensive efforts to find a peaceful settlement.

MAY BE HOPELESS TASK
"It may be that we are engaged in a hopeless task, and that it is impossible to reconcile the divergent aims of Italy, Ethiopia and the League. Nevertheless, France, and ourselves intend to continue not only trying, but redoubling our efforts in the short period still open before the Geneva meeting."
"I am determined to make another great effort. We have no wish to humiliate or weaken Italy. Indeed we are anxious to see a strong Italy."
"I appeal once more to Signor Mussolini and his fellow-countrymen—I draw no distinction between them—to dismiss entirely the suspicion that we have a sinister motive. We have none. We have no wish to drive a wedge between Italy and France; no wish to weaken Signor Mussolini's position, or to destroy the Fascist (Continued on Page 7.)

HONGKONG DOLLAR RATES
CONTRAL SCHEME IN OPERATION
To-day marked the first day of Government control of Hongkong currency, and the Bank's official rate on opening was 1s. 4d., a decline of a halfpenny on yesterday's quotation. The control rate was 1s. 4 1/4d. Business was done on the opening at 1s. 4 1/4d. and then at 1s. 4 3/8d. with small business at the control rate. No marked variation in rates is now expected.

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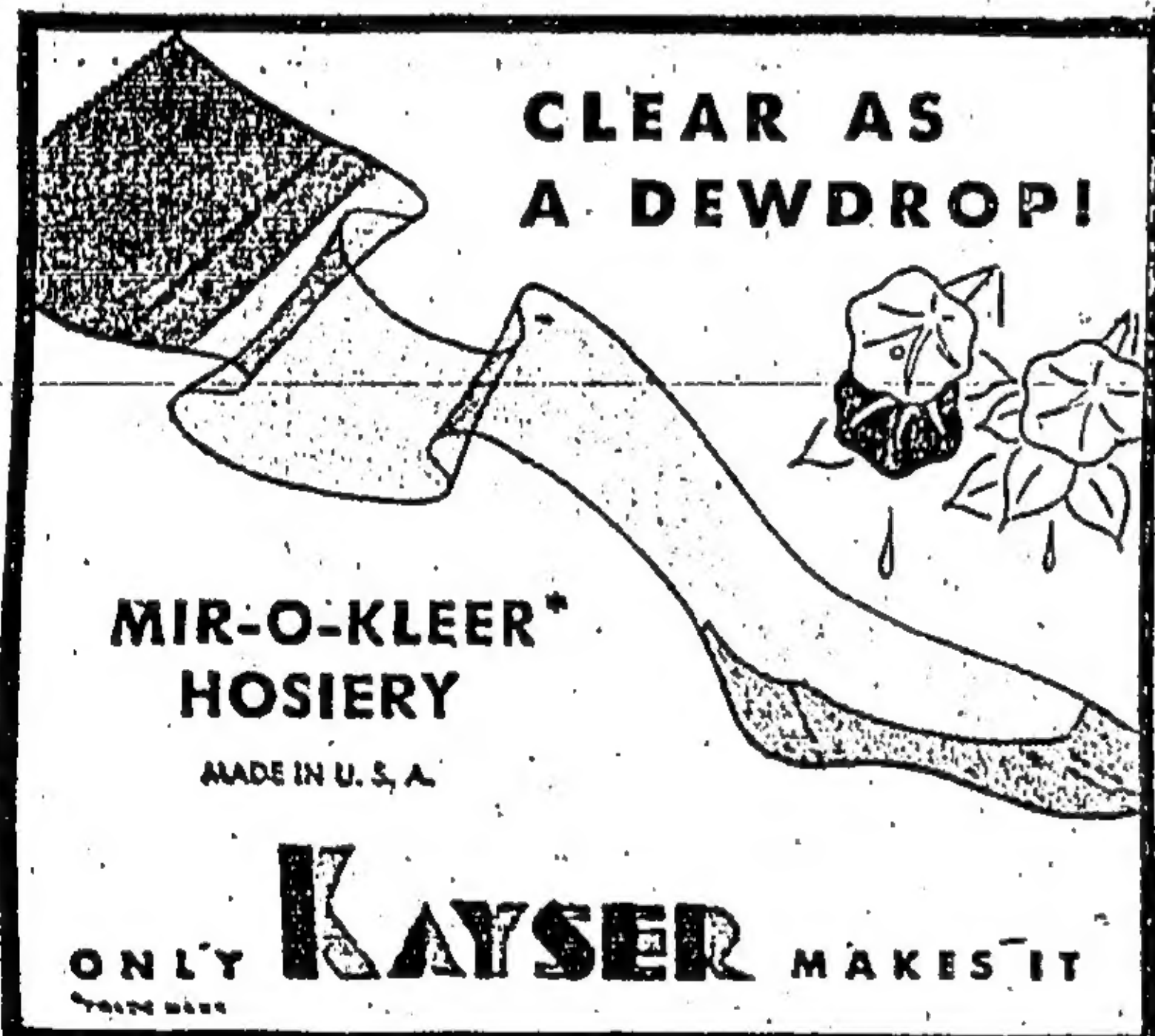
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The name board of Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogoch Station on the Isle of Anglesey, which is the longest in Wales, containing fifty-eight letters, is removed every November and stored safely until the following spring. The station is called Llanfair P.G. for short, and so it remains throughout the winter; but when the board is returned in the spring passengers amuse themselves by trying to pronounce it in full before the train leaves.

London Man Returns From

AIRMAN ARRIVES AFTER FIVE DAYS' SILENCE

Port Moresby (New Guinea), Dec. 1.

AFTER disappearing in the wilds of New Guinea for the second time in less than four months, Flight-Lieutenant Stuart Campbell, an Australian airman, arrived safely at Fly River Camp to-day. He had been delayed by a forced landing to make adjustments to his machine, a Short Seiden double-engine 180 h.p. seaplane.

Meanwhile, Papuan Government vessels were searching the coast and swamps in the region where he disappeared last Tuesday. He left here to return to the Fly River Survey Camp, and landed at Kerema, 140 miles further up the coast. Later in the day he left for Kikori, some 110 miles further westward round the Gulf of Papua.

But he did not reach Kikori, and some fear was felt for his safety owing to the number of waterways over which he would have to fly.—*Reuter.*

SECOND DISAPPEARANCE Jungle and swamps of the wild Fly River district were searched intensively for Flight-Lieutenant Campbell at the end of last July, when he was missing for four days between Daru and a depot 600 miles further up the river.

Gloucester, Liverpool and Manchester will be the names of three new cruisers to be built under the 1935 Navy estimates.

Both the Liverpool and Gloucester distinguished themselves in the war.

The Gloucester hung doggedly on to the tail of the Goeben and Breslau in the Mediterranean in 1914 before they escaped into the Dardanelles. Her captain on that occasion is now Admiral Sir Howard Kelly.

The Liverpool will be built by the Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engineering Co., Ltd., the Manchester by R. and W. Hawthorn Leslie and Co., Ltd., and the Gloucester at Devonport Yard.

Among other contracts are the submarine storeroom for Chatham Yard and two minesweepers for Devonport Yard.

Of the smaller vessels to be built four will have bird names: the Bittern, Sheldrake and Kittiwake (sloop) and the Plover (minelayer).

U.S. 'Devil's Island': Free After 13 Years

Plymouth, Dec. 1.

A shy, tired-looking little man stood by the rails of the liner President Roosevelt as it approached Land's End from the Atlantic and smiled with relief.

"Gee. It's good to be back in England a free man after all these years," he said.

He was Harry Johnson, once a famous ice-hockey player, a Londoner from the East End, now a deportee from America. In his pocket was a pardon from President Roosevelt for the alleged murder of two women in Alaska, for which he received a life sentence.

He has served thirteen years in all, first in Leavenworth prison, Kansas, and later in the rockbound escape-proof fortress of Alcatraz off San Francisco.

Twenty-two years ago he left the East End of London a boy of sixteen, and emigrated to Canada. Two years later he was in the trenches with the Canadians, and at eighteen he was a machine-gun instructor.

"I had four years over there," he said, "and got five medals, including the Mons Star."

"WITHOUT A DIME"

"I went back to Canada with two thousand dollars and a wound pension. I am landing in England to-night without a dime. Not even my street-car fare, and I won't take a penny."

"I'm going to start work. They turned me out of Alcatraz with a suit, a shirt, a handkerchief, and a pair of boots, but no underclothes and no overcoat. An emigration officer in New York gave me a pair of socks."

"That prison is the world's worst. They drive men mad there. Fortunately they didn't get me."

"After a turn in the cells in solitary isolation they put me in the kitchen."

"That's where I lost my finger." He showed his right hand; the "trigger" finger of which is missing.

CHICKEN FOR CAPONE

"One of my jobs was to wait on Al Capone. We were good friends. He's one of the finest fellows I ever met."

"I used to smuggle pieces of chicken for him from the kitchen. 'For that I got put in the hole,' which is an underground dungeon where they used to torture Spanish prisoners long ago."

"Then they put the third degree over me because they knew I had found out some secrets of the prison. I know how stuff was smuggled in and out, how spirits were actually made and drunk in the prison."

"I thought I would have been released from Leavenworth. My sister came over from London in order to do it, but although she spent a lot of money she was unsuccessful. I got the President's pardon three weeks ago."

"When I left I was asked not to tell what I knew about the prison, and I promised I wouldn't until I got over this side."

"What my future is I don't know, but I have paid my debt to society. I tripped up when I went to Alaska with five other fellows trying to start an ice rink."

"While there I went on a hunting trip with a guy. We got mixed up with a couple of dope women."

"But now I can forget it all; I'm a free man."

There was a touching scene when Johnson was reunited with his two sisters on the deck of the liner. They had not met for eighteen years.

"Drake Millions Mystery": U.S.A. Trial

DET-INSPECTOR BISHOP, of Scotland Yard, is on his way to America to give evidence in a case which has become known on two continents as the "Drake Millions Mystery."

The investigation of this case involves the millions left or reputed to have been left by Sir Francis Drake.

The investigation began when a man named "Baron" Oscar M. Hartzell, who claimed a fortune of \$70,000,000, was deported from England in February 1933.

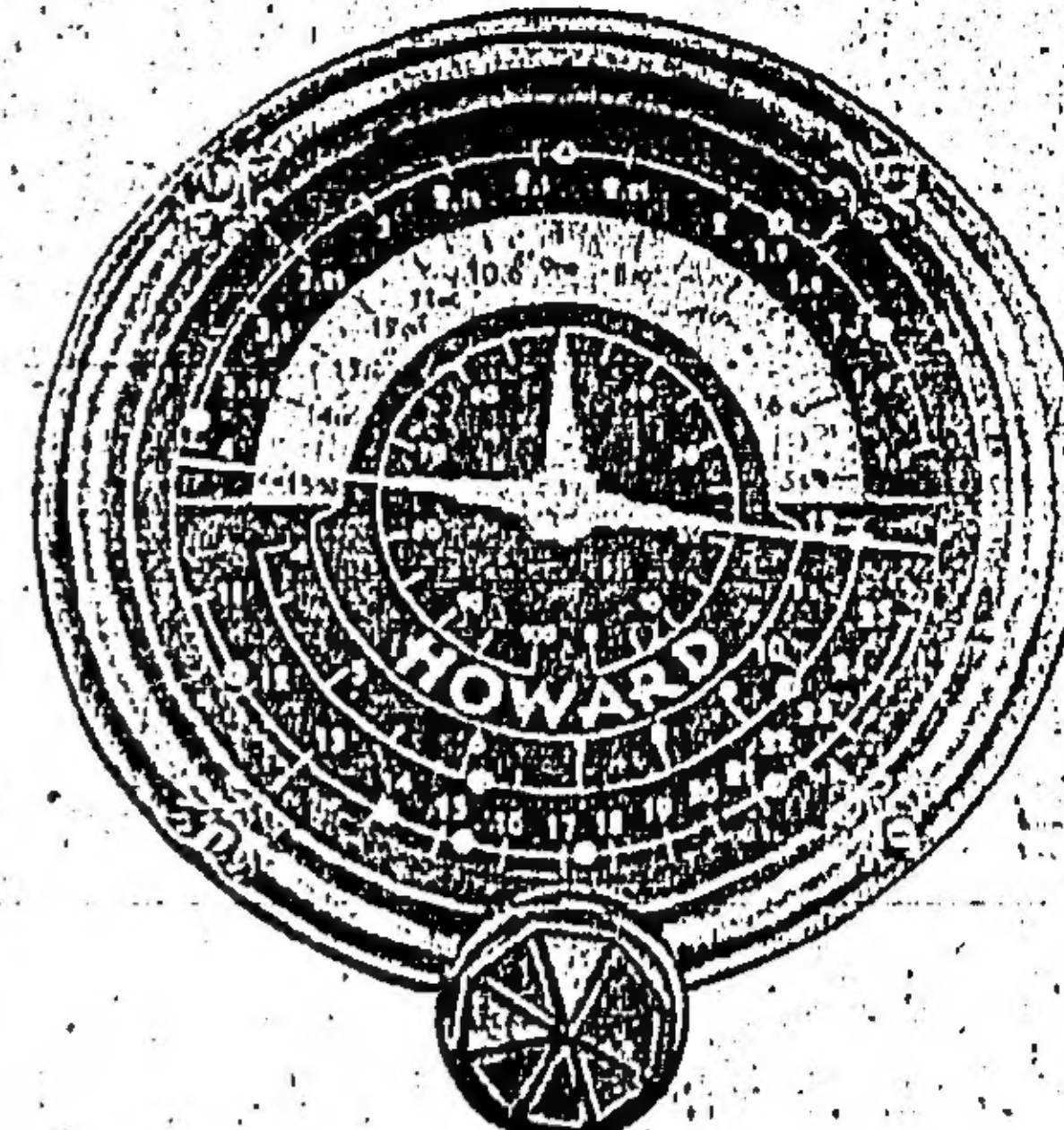
Hartzell is alleged to have collected large sums of money from people in America, England and France who subscribed to funds to enable him to claim the estate.

When Hartzell was deported he was arrested in New York, and later sentenced to ten years' imprisonment for using U.S.A. mails in order to defraud thousands of Middle West farmers.

He appealed, and was allowed bail of \$25,000. While he was on bail 21 men, who were alleged to be his agents, were arrested on charges of continuing to accept money in connection with the claim. Hartzell was also charged with complicity.

Now they are all to appear on trial at Ohio, and Detective-Inspector Bishop will give evidence there of Hartzell's activities in London.

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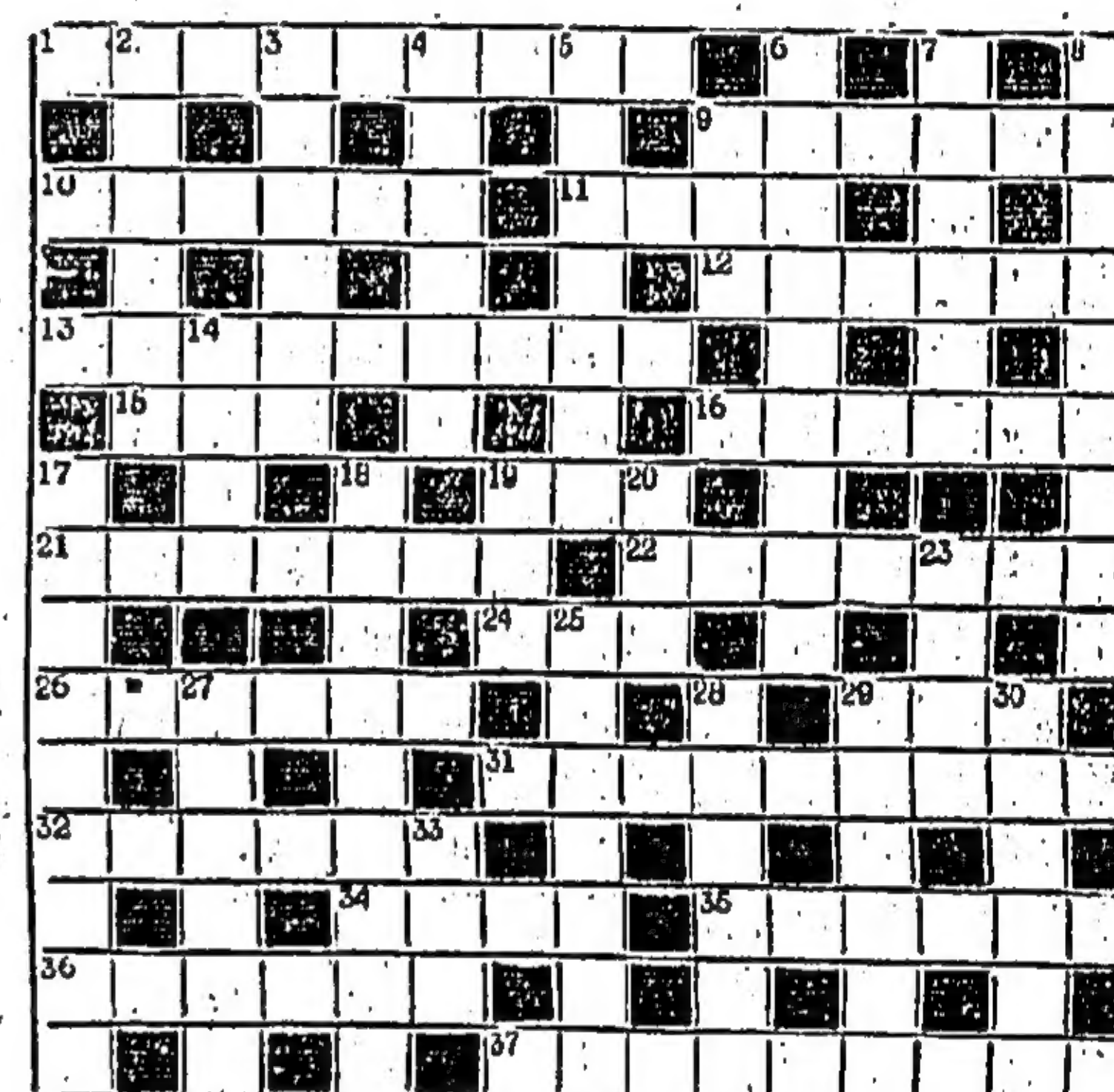
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- 10 Hardly the home of reason.
- 11 If this animal had swallowed nothing before a cat, the situation would have been evident.
- 12 Norwegian town.
- 13 Mournful and there isn't a couple of brace inside.
- 15 If a tenor's scale is on the downward run, how many notes does this include?
- 16 Poetically numerous.
- 19 Insect.
- 21 Set going with a note between Florence and Edward.
- 22 Aperture.
- 26 In his Book appears "Grent is truth, and mighty above all things."
- 29 Bitter, please.
- 31 European capital.
- 32 Give secret information about a quadruped for a game (hyphen 3 and 3).
- 34 The scene of the first gate-crashing on record?
- 35 A Norwegian means of progress in a run for a great art-expert.
- 36 Top.
- 37 A fixed idea.

DOWN

- 2 As a clue it is right, but is left when changed.
- 3 A feminine name.
- 4 Bounds.
- 5 Buck up.
- 6 There's a glass top to this complimentary speech.
- 7 Jungle book character.
- 8 Re-reading (anag.).
- 9 Too slowly.
- 14 Plane prefix.
- 17 Striking in a sense.
- 18 Start game in different style to get trick.
- 19 Attached to a general.
- 20 Plaything.
- 23 In a doctor, it would be made to go wrong.
- 25 In more than one sense, the point is in the root here.
- 27 Clear out!
- 28 Object of care in custody.
- 29 Slender (anag.).
- 30 An inhabitant of the Far North makes a Scottish river confess it is nothing at all.
- 33 Imposition?

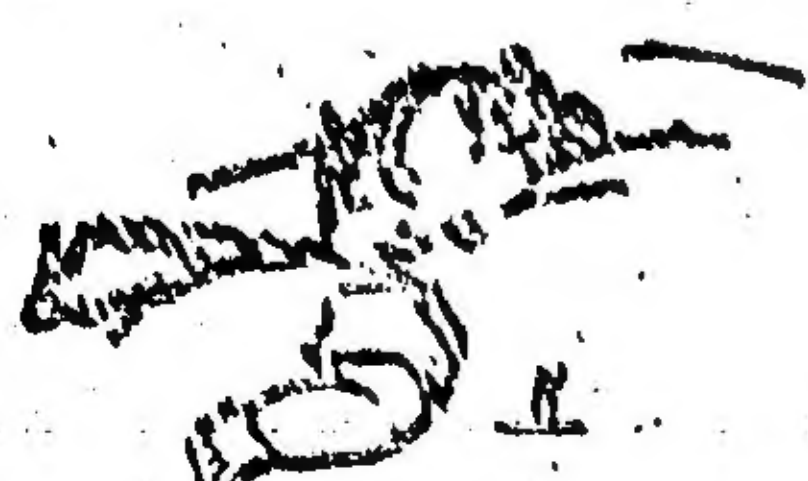
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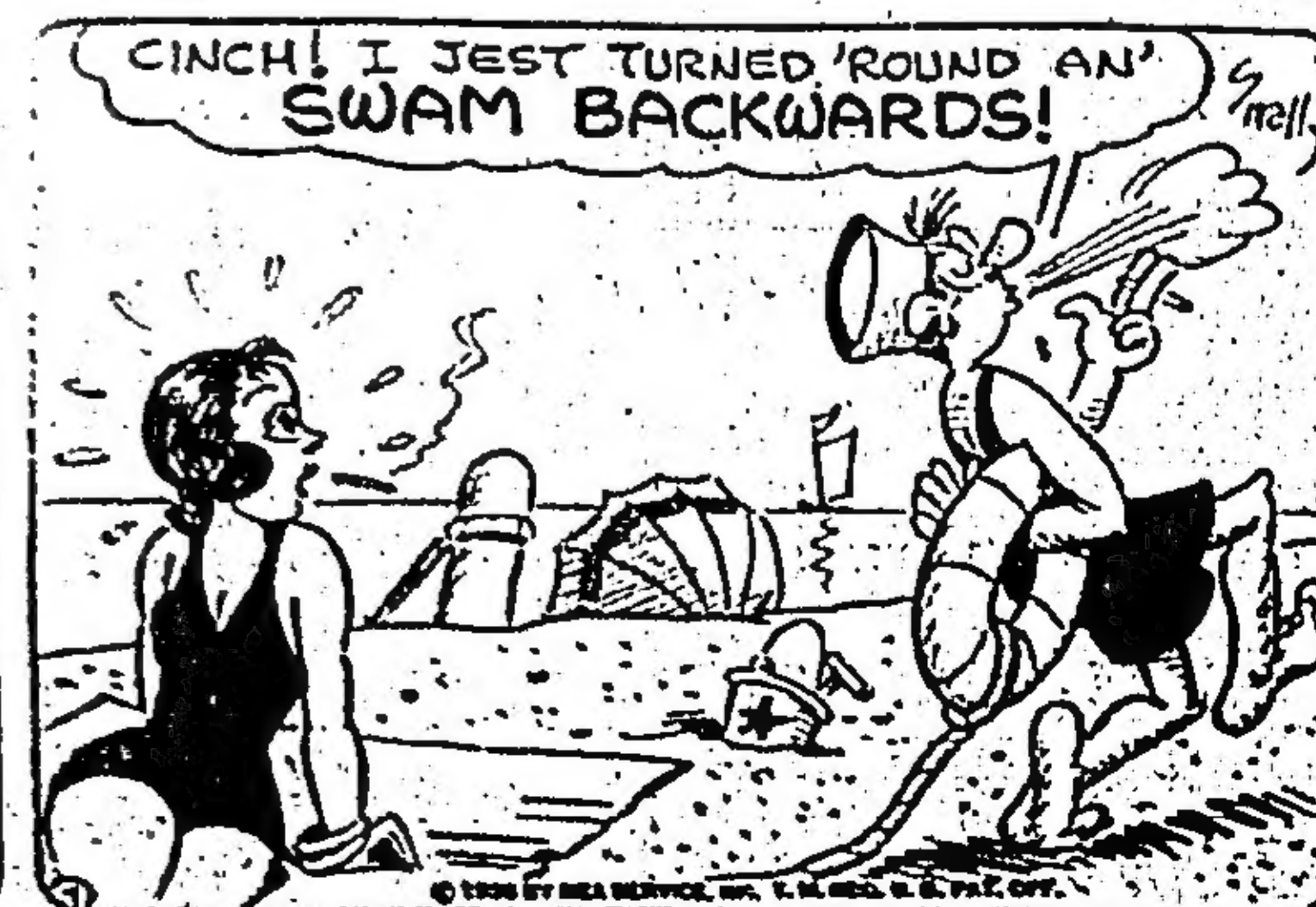
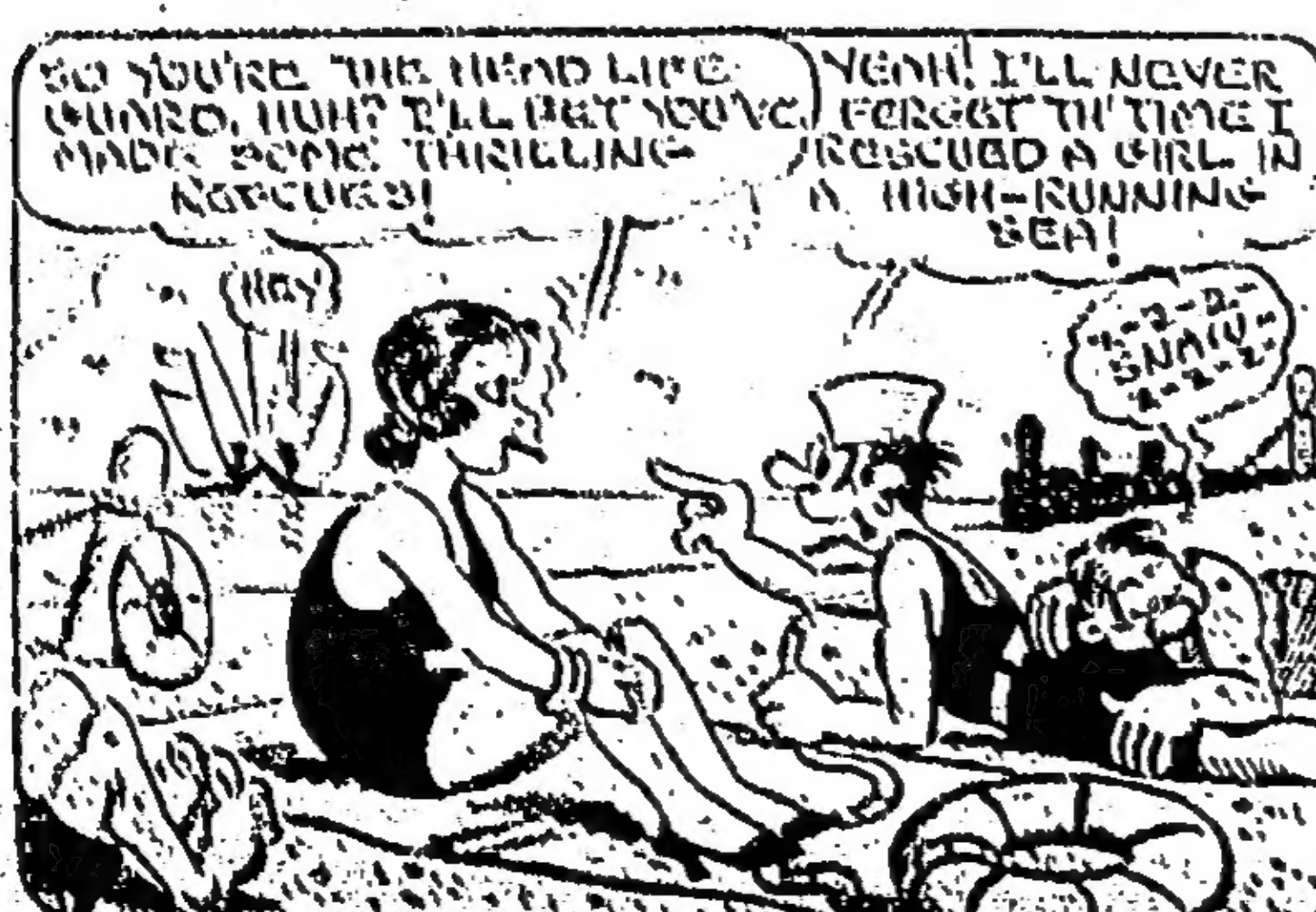
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Eleanor Powell, the Hollywood screen star, wore out 25 pairs of ballet slippers in her last dance in the ballet number in the new musical film "Broadway Melody of 1936". Her fast toe-whirls cause the slippers to wear through after two dance try-outs.

SCIENCE MAKES A DEAL WITH THE SOVIET

APPARATUS FOR MAN WHO WENT BACK

Cambridge, Dec. 1. Dr. Peter Kapitza, the famous Russian scientist, has offered to purchase the special apparatus on which he was working at Cambridge before he was recalled home by the Soviet.

His offer has been accepted. Not only will the apparatus be sent to him, but two Cambridge assistants will be loaned to him for three years.

Dr. Kapitza's researches were on the production of intense magnetic fields and the splitting of the atom.

Before the Soviet claimed his services a few months ago, Dr. Kapitza had been engaged for several years at Cambridge, and the Royal Society Mond Laboratory was built specially for him two years ago at a cost of £15,000.

The apparatus from the laboratory will be re-erected in another laboratory which is now being built for him by the Soviet Government.

LORD RUTHERFORD'S PART. These facts are contained in the report of the Royal Society Mond Laboratory, just issued. It states that Dr. Adrian and Professor Dirac interviewed Dr. Kapitza in Russia, and the offer to purchase was afterwards sent to Lord Rutherford.

The more important pieces of apparatus consist of a large generator for producing an intense magnetic field and plants for making liquid helium and liquid hydrogen.

His experiments with liquid helium were carried out at a temperature of 482 degrees Fahrenheit of frost, or only three or four degrees above absolute zero.

NEWER APPARATUS. The report adds that Lord Rutherford would feel under a strong obligation not to take up the experiments if Dr. Kapitza wished to resume work at once.

"The situation has also changed since the installation of the generator," it is added. "Methods have recently been developed for the production of temperatures within one-thousandth of a degree of large electro magnets."

"This field of work is of much fundamental importance and of

Honeymoon Flyers Injured in Road Crash

Sydney, Dec. 1. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Berry Littlejohn, the "honeymoon flyers," who flew from Southampton to Sydney after being married in England, were to-day involved in a head-on car crash at Goulburn (N.S.W.).

Mr. Littlejohn had lacerations, bruises and shock, while his wife is suffering from shock.

Altogether eight persons were admitted to hospital as a result of the crash. None of them is seriously injured.—*Reuter*.

Mr. and Mrs. Littlejohn landed in Australia on October 30, having taken 50 days over their honeymoon air trip.

JAPANESE FLEET ALMOST AT TREATY RATIO

BRITAIN AND AMERICA ARE AT DISADVANTAGE

LONDON NAVAL CONFERENCE SET FOR NEXT MONDAY

Washington, Dec. 4.

Japan approaches the London naval conference in London next Monday with her navy nearest treaty strength of any of the five powers that signed the Washington treaty of 1922, latest figures reveal.

Limited to a naval ratio of three-fifths that of the United States and Great Britain, the Far Eastern Empire has built or has appropriated funds for all but 2,078 tons of the total tonnage permitted, according to Navy department figures.

Great Britain, however, is 90,697 tons short of treaty strength and the United States still is permitted to build 71,135 tons of fighting vessels before December 31, 1936—expiration date of the treaty—but only in the destroyer and submarine categories. All three nations are at full strength in capital ships.

The history of naval arms limitation dates from the Washington conference of 1921-22. The resulting treaty was designed ultimately to substitute definite quotas and a stable balance of naval power for independent naval building. The five signatory nations were the United States, Great Britain, Japan, France and Italy. They agreed to limit their navies in the following ratio: 5-5-3 1.67-1.67.

The London naval conference of 1930, held to arrest a developing race in cruiser construction not limited by the Washington treaty, saw France and Italy refuse to agree to limitation of auxiliaries. The other three powers, however, extended their 5-5-3 ratio to the smaller categories.

This was the relative position of the leading naval powers shortly before the Washington conference, according to the 1920 reports of the Secretary of the Navy.

Great Britain 2,829,681 tons; United States 2,067,478 tons; Japan 980,420 tons; France 709,873 tons; Italy 434,727 tons.

Besides arresting the impending naval armaments race which threatened after the war, the Washington treaty had this effect: It gave each power in its own sphere of influence, in addition, Japan's naval supremacy.

CAT AND DOG LIFE

THE FORMER NOW HAS A PUPPY

Two families recently arrived at Richmond, a Melbourne suburb. A spaniel had seven puppies and a cat three kittens.

The spaniel for some reason, took an intense dislike to one puppy and even tried to bury it alive, several times.

Then the sympathetic cat stepped in, took the puppy and is rearing it with her kittens. It is showing a wealth of gratitude.

Later, the cat's mother is showing remorse. She persists in trying to get to it to fiddle her son. But the cat will have none of it. Any intrusion is greeted with such feline ferocity that the spaniel goes off, tail well down.

GLAMOROUS



Grace Moore, the charming American star and singer who became world-famous owing to her beautiful voice, is seen above in her third film now in production at the Columbia studios.

was confirmed by the fact that the United States relinquished building of a fleet which constituted a threat, and the three chief powers agreed not to increase fortifications of the Pacific.

Loft Door Open. But because the Washington treaty failed to limit cruisers, destroyers and submarines it left the door open to a naval race in these categories. Such a race began in 1923. Four years later President Coolidge sought to arrest this race by inviting the five naval powers to a Geneva conference. France and Italy declined, and an irreconcilable difference between the United States and Great Britain over 10,000 ton cruisers led to collapse of the conference.

The race in auxiliary craft continued. It was finally curbed, however, in the London Conference of 1930. The comparative strength of the three powers at the time of that conference was as follows:

Capital Ships: Others. Great Britain 538,083 tons; 725,916 tons; United States 332,400 tons; 648,070 tons; Japan 292,400 tons; 476,102 tons.

The London conference resulted in the following agreements:

1. Extension of the capital ship holiday among the five powers under which it was agreed not to lay down battleships authorized for replacement before Dec. 31, 1936.

2. Limitation of naval strengths which the United States, Great Britain and Japan agreed would not be exceeded on Dec. 31, 1936.

3. Regulatory pact covering replacement of "over age" vessels. It was at this conference that Japan sought to increase her relative strength above the 5-5-3 ratio. Her delegation sought a 10-10-7 ratio, but was firmly opposed by the United States. The result was a compromise in which the former general ratio was maintained but Japan was granted increases in certain categories.

Demand for Parity. Last year at London Japan demanded parity with the United States and Great Britain. The United States firmly opposed any concessions beyond existing ratios and the conference broke up with a denunciation by Japan of the Washington and London treaties which will cause them to expire Dec. 31, 1936 unless a new agreement is worked out at the new conference.

In view of the threatening world situation, experts saw the new gathering foredoomed to failure.

The five leading powers approach the coming conference with the following relative strength:

Tons. Under Approx. Built: Age: orated for: Great Britain 1,288,224 998,208 165,350; United States 1,637,710 74,800 230,150; Japan 720,807 650,516 110,297; France 572,917 367,229 205,591; Italy 508,656 234,400 116,144.

United Press.

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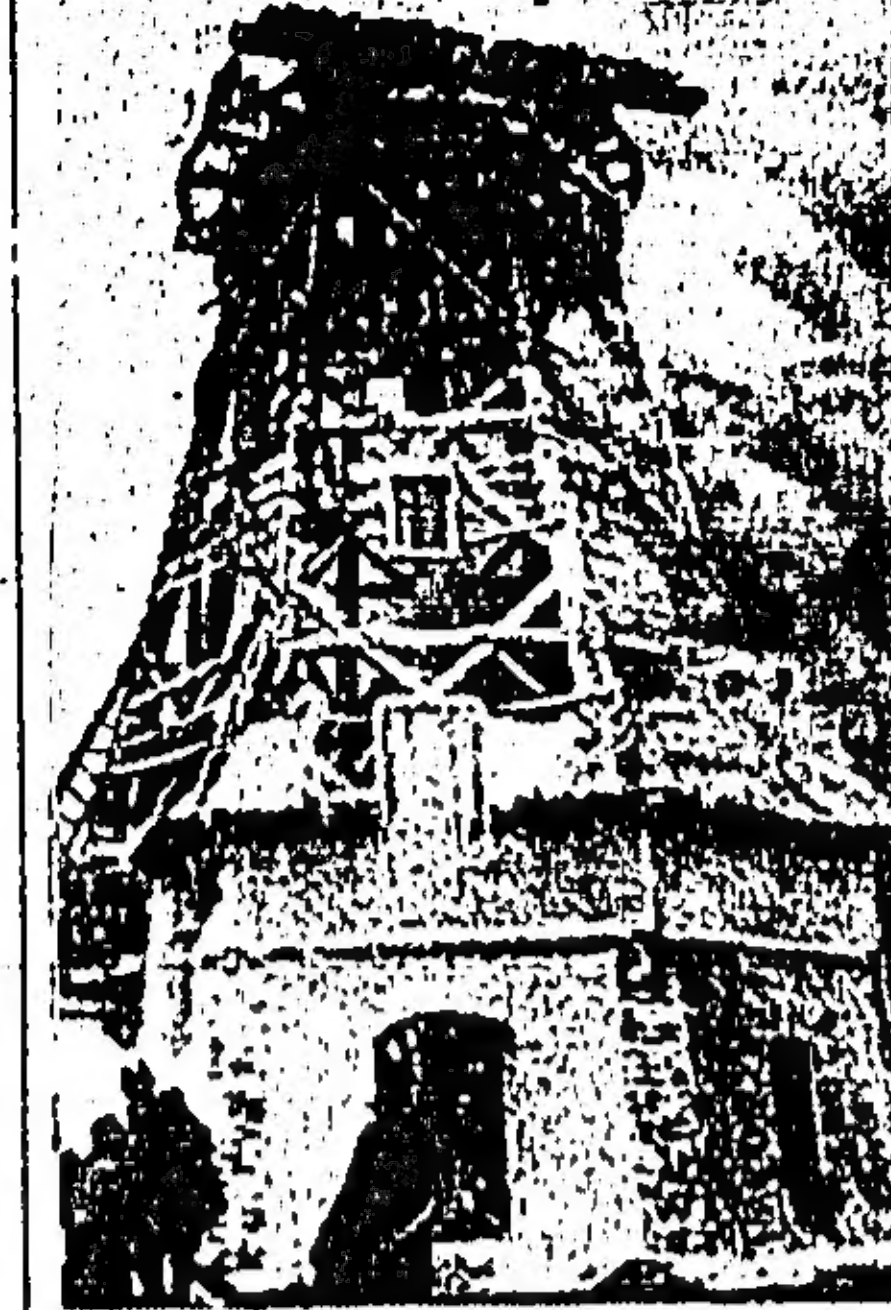
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A new kind of foam for fire-extinguishing has been effectively demonstrated in Germany. The picture shows workers in action on an old mill which was set afire for the demonstration.

QUEEN MARY WILL SET OUT JUNE 17

MAIDEN VOYAGE

Glasgow, Dec. 1. WITH her maiden voyage set definitely for May 27, the Queen Mary has reached the crucial point in her preparations when her four sets of engines will be tested.

Carefully evolved after years of investigation into speed, power combined with lack of vibration, these engines must drive four 35-ton propellers by gear wheels each of which is 34 feet in diameter.

Besides these vast engines, there are turbo-generators which, it is estimated, would supply electric current sufficient for a city of 300,000 population. All of these engines and machines must be carefully broken in before the Queen Mary can even make a trial run.

Painting operations have just begun on the surface of 50 acres which constitute the exterior and interior of the great ship. More than 70,000 gallons of paint will be required to complete this job which will leave a black hull, a white upper deck, and funnels of red with black tops and three black bands.

The 3,000 workmen actually working aboard the ship are only a portion of the thousands all over Britain striving at the production of internal fittings.

Estimates of articles being manufactured reveal:

13 miles of fabric; 6 miles of carpets and rugs; 10,000 pieces of cutlery and tableware;

200,000 pieces of earthenware china and glass;

Miles of telephone wire; and Hundreds of thousands of pieces of linen.

At the moment 2,500 sq. ft. of glass are being inserted in various parts of the Queen Mary in an effort to provide a maximum of daylight for the passengers.

Although most of the lounges and salons are still in the hands of the artisans, they are gradually becoming recognizable as artistic designs in woodwork and mosaics are nearing completion. Company officials revealed that 50 varieties of wood from all over the world were sought out to decorate the principal salons and public rooms.

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LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with Reuters. Dec. 4, Dec. 5.

British Government Securities		
War Loan 3½% redm. after 1952	£100½	£100½
Chinese Bonds		
4½% Bonds 1898 (Eng. Iss.)	£101½	£101½
4½% Loan 1908	£ 98	£ 98
5½% Loan 1912	£ 73	£ 73
6½% Recog. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Iss.)	£ 90½	£ 90
5% Gold Bonds 1925-47	£ 94½	£ 94½
5% Shal-Nanking Rly.	£ 69	£ 69
5% Tient-Pukow Rly.	£ 32	£ 32
5% Tient-Pukow Railway (Supl. Loan)	£ 32	£ 32
5% Honan Rly.	£ 28	£ 28
5% Hukang Rly. 1911	£ 43	£ 43
5% Lung Tsin U. Hai Rly. 1913	£ 18½	£ 18½
Foreign Bonds and Banks		
German 7½% Int. Loan 1924	£ 60½	£ 61½
Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1907	£ 83½	£ 83½
Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1924	£ 95½	£ 95½
H.K. & Shal Bk. (Ldn. Regd.)	£ 95½	£ 88 to 94
Charl. Bk. of I.A. & C.	£ 13	£ 13
Commercial and Industrial		
Allied Ironfounders	38/3	38/3
Associated & Elec. Industries	44/-	45/-
Austin Motors and sh.	40/-	42/6
Boots Pure Drug	49/3	49/6
British-American Tobacco (Bearer)	116/3	117/6
Canadian Collieries	100/-	100/-
Chinese Eng. and Min. (Bearer)	10/6	11/6
Courtaulds	56/9	56/9
Distillers	97/9	98/6
Dunlop Rubber	39/3	39/-
Elec. and Musical Industries	27/9	27/9
General Electric (England)	74/-	75/0
Hawker Aircraft	29/6	30/-
Impl. Chem. Ind.	37/4½	37/3
Impl. Tobacco	161/10½	162/0
O.K. Bazaar	45/-	45/-
Rolls Royce	162/6	163/0
Shal Elec. Constr.	48/-	47/0
Tate & Lyle	83/0	84/-
Turner & Newall	67/3	67/0
United Steel	32/4½	32/6
Vickers Ordn.	18/10½	18/9
Watney, Combs & Reid def. ord.	76/-	77/3
Woolworths	114/0	114/9
Miscellaneous		
Anglo-Dutch	24/-	24/-
Guthrie Galumpung	22/6	22/6
Rubber	1/3	1/3
Pekin Synd.	1/3	1/3

"TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT

To-morrow's Picture Features

There will be many pictures of topical interest in to-morrow's issue of the *Telegraph Pictorial Supplement*. Groups will include those taken at the Talkoo and K.H.G.C. closing days, the Scottish Church Parade, St. Joseph's College Boy Scouts and Choir, and local weddings. There will also be a picture of the new St. Dominic's College, and some interesting snapshots showing Mr. "Peter" Jackson, of the Dairy Farm, with sons of the Ethiopian Minister to London.

21 YEARS AGO

Extracts From the "Telegraph" Files

The following extracts are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended December 12, 1914.

The rate of dollar on demand was 1s 9.11/16d.

Mr. C. S. Gubbay, of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon and Co., Ltd., was appointed to the Board of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.

The Prince of Wales' War Relief Fund in Hongkong reached a total of \$192,142.

Captain W. L. Carter, Volunteer Reserves, was appointed Hon. Adjutant in the place of Captain L. G. Bird, resigned. Captain W. A. Stewart was appointed Adjutant of the Corps.

Rubber Plantation		
Invest Trust	20/-	20/-
Burma Corp.	12/9	12/9
Commonwealth	11/1½	11/-
Rafflesia	54/0	54/0
Spawater Op.	7/6	7/3
Springs Mines	45/-	44/4½
Sub-Nigel	267/6	267/6
Rhokana Corp.	107/6	107/0
Oils		
Anglo-Iranian	69/4½	68/9
Burnah	83/1½	81/10½
Shell Trans and Trad. (Bearer)	81/3	81/3
Chosen Corp.	13/9	14/4½
Marsman Investments	30/6	30/6

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

MARKET IRREGULAR YESTERDAY

New York, Dec. 5. The following reports on the New York Stock Market have been received through Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz:

The *Wall Street Journal* report on yesterday's market:—The markets today were irregularly higher in spite of late profit-taking in railroad and special issues. Silver, copper and oil shares were strong on the outlook regarding higher prices in these commodities. Bonds were upward, whilst stocks on the Curb Exchange were irregular.

S. C. & F. New York office cables: Stocks. This market showed a mixed trend, but the undertone was firm. New York telephone stations for the 11 months ended November 30th increased by 18,302, against a loss of 301 stations during the corresponding 11 months of last year.

Cotton: Senatorial discussion regarding the disposal of Government stocks had an unsettling influence. "Spot" demand is light, but the basis is firm. The average of private estimates indicates a growing crop of 11,080,000 bales. Seven brokerage houses are bullish, whilst four houses are bearish in their outlook regarding the market.

Wheat: With Canadian stocks exporters and on transit estimated at 255,000,000 bushels and a more liberal selling policy reported, material advances here are improbable.

Corn: The large moisture content of the new crop is attracting support. Rubber: The market is steady on trade buying. We would purchase on reactions.

REUTER QUOTATIONS

Dow Jones Averages:		
	Dec. 4.	Dec. 5.
30 Industrials	144.04	143.72
20 Rails	41.74	41.39
20 Utilities	29.11	29.20
40 Bonds	97.84	98.02
11 Commodity Index	55.94	55.96

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A MANAGED CURRENCY

Much relief will be felt by business people and the community in general at the steps taken by the Government to regulate the exchange value of the Hongkong dollar. With the Colony's currency latterly divorced from silver and at the mercy of speculators, an intolerable situation had been created, one which made legitimate business operations extremely difficult, if not utterly impossible. At the moment, the dollar is not stabilised, the Government being disposed to adopt a cautious attitude before reaching any final decision on that point. There are numerous factors which dictate the necessity of such caution at this juncture, not the least important of which is the comparative uncertainty of China's future monetary policy. The Colony's economic relationship with China is so close that a false or precipitate step in the matter of stabilisation might easily have disastrous consequences. But if no definite exchange value has been placed on the dollar, the Government will now, for the first time, be in a position to remove the danger of wide fluctuations. This it will accomplish through the secret operation of the Exchange Fund, either by buying or selling. As was pointed out in the speech introducing the Ordinance, it will be possible for the note circulation, after the calling in of all silver, to be expanded or contracted as may seem desirable, against certificates backed by the assets of the Exchange Fund and the responsibility of the Government. In brief, Hongkong will, so long as the Ordinance is operative, have a managed currency, just as China has. The steps taken have of necessity been under consideration for some considerable time; such a scheme could not be put into operation at a moment's notice. But, with the advice of bankers, the Government has reached the conclusion that the time is ripe for action. Obviously the Government would not embark on the scheme without full confidence in its ability, in co-operation with its advisers, to fulfil the objects for which it has been designed. In this regard, the measures have been drawn up with meticulous care, and there seems no reason to fear that our currency will not henceforth be kept under strict control. The value of the dollar will now be decided by the Government, and not, as hitherto, by the operations of interested speculators. If actual stabilisation is not promised, the Ordinance will at any rate definitely tend to stability, the lack of which has been the principal obstacle to legitimate business operations in the recent past. From every standpoint, the control scheme is to be welcomed. It will be good for the business man, for the resident who may have regular sterling obligations to meet, and for the Government in drawing up its Budget, the framing of which will be less a matter of guesswork than hitherto. Assuming the rate to be kept at about the present level, the Colony's financial arrangements for next year, based on a 1s. 8d. dollar, may have to be revised and cuts made in expenditure. But eventually, in this matter as in others, the Colony will adjust itself to the new conditions.

The Coast of SPIES

BEFORE Djibouti was a town, Tajura and Obokh, which lie on the other side of the Gulf of Tajura from it, were flourishing centres of the slave trade between Abyssinia and Arabia. More recently, during the trouble years of Abyssinia's history, following the death of Menelik, a profitable trade in running arms into the interior was conducted from that inhospitable north-west shore of the Gulf. In fact, it is only within the last few years that the coast has known anything more than a nominal white control, and the men who inhabit it are still more attuned to the tradition of outlawry and con-

traband than to the reign of law and order.

Scratch the veneer of civilisation there and you will find men to whom the law is a natural enemy.

EVEN to-day it would be a rash person who would say that no case of arms or ammunition ever finds its way into the border country of the warlike Danakil or that no slaves on their way to Hodeida or Jeddah mingle their tears with the waters of Bab el Mandeb—that narrow neck of the Red Sea, whose Arabic name means, as it does, from verdant mountain plateaux, scored by incredible ravines, to teeming malarial swamps, and perhaps even worse, to the deadly heat of salt deserts lying below sea level, where, if any shade is to be found, the thermometer will still show 140 degrees Fahrenheit.

Now, with Abyssinia and Italy actually at war, a new source of profit has come to these men who have had to stand watching while authority gradually suppressed their unlawful activities. Both sides in the struggle are anxious for military information, both are striving hard to disseminate propaganda among border tribes of uncertain temper.

Who are better able to do the work than the men who know every avenue for smuggling out slaves or smuggling in arms? They are men whose network of contacts have been built up through generations of lawless enterprise. For that reason their lines of communication have always been shrouded in secrecy. They spread, like a fibrous growth, right through the hinterland of Abyssinia and throughout the coast of Eritrea.

THE natural origin and centre of this cancer is the arid coast, backed by jagged hills and bleached colourless by the sun, where Tajura and Obokh stand, and the men who know these underground channels like the ordinary Londoner knows the Tube system are busy there now with a new-found occupation for their idle hands.

Not only is the coast thus uniquely equipped for espionage and propaganda, but it lies safe from the spheres of either combatant behind the sheltering frontier of French Somaliland.

The organisation is principally made up of Somalis, Danakils, and Arabs, with here and there a European working under the respectable guise of a merchant. The benefit of what knowledge they can glean, or what rumour they can spread, to an invading or defending army is hard to over-estimate for the ramifications of their system know no barrier of frontiers.



By
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Corps of Special
Correspondents
in East Africa.

peaceful. That is the trump card in the hands of the men of the coast and that is why their work commands good money.

The country in which they work has many natural difficulties to communication, varying, as it does, from verdant mountain plateaux, scored by incredible ravines, to teeming malarial swamps, and perhaps even worse, to the deadly heat of salt deserts lying below sea level, where, if any shade is to be found, the thermometer will still show 140 degrees Fahrenheit.

Journeys of a few hundred miles take weeks and even months to accomplish. Add to these natural drawbacks the fact that practically no artificial means of communication, such as a European takes for granted, exist, and it will be seen at once what a demand there is for people who can in any way meet these difficulties.

What was built up by the immemorial usage of slave traders is now being turned to new profits, which, if not as good as in the hey-day of the Arabian traffic, is nevertheless quite handsome. No questions of loyalties or patriotism arise. It is purely a mercenary intelligence service and those who pay best get the information.

THIS latest weapon that Europe has forged in the name of good government may prove the most efficacious. It will mean much to Italy to be able to leave peaceful tribes in the wake of her penetration and even of the Coast of Spies shows a more to the Abyssinians to see mere dim silhouette in the that the tribesmen do not remain blanching sunlight.

These activities, though mainly concentrated there, are causing something of a spy fever throughout French Somaliland. Even in Djibouti anyone with known sympathies is suspect of being part of the propagandist organisation. The Abyssinian authorities, who have turned a number of people out of the interior on suspicion of espionage, make the closest scrutiny of the credentials of anyone seeking to use the bi-weekly train service to Addis Ababa.

THE tension in the interior is filling Djibouti with a remarkably cosmopolitan crowd, and it becomes difficult to say who are genuine travellers.

Strangers of all nationalities flock in and out of the hotels. Some are charming and genial and some are not. Some are waiting for boats and, again, some are not. Sometimes a man will turn up in his old haunts after a few days' absence. You do not ask him where he has been, because if you did you would not expect him to tell you the truth. Your guess is as good as anybody else's, and you probably will not be far wrong if you surmise he has just returned from a dhow across the much to Italy to be able to leave peaceful tribes in the wake of her penetration and even of the Coast of Spies shows a more to the Abyssinians to see mere dim silhouette in the that the tribesmen do not remain blanching sunlight.

OLD AGE CREEPS ON

By Eddie Kelly, Born 1820
Still Going Wrong

GAZING out of our window at daybreak this morning—we are always up to see the sun rise, as it is usually 6 a.m. before we get to bed—we thought how wonderful it would be to have our childhood back again.

Usually about that time we feel like a nonentity, that is to say, somewhere in the nineties, everybody who reads the papers knowing that when you're an octogenarian you're eighty, and when you're seventy you're a vegetarian, and when you're sixty you're a sexagenarian and so on. And thinking of our childhood re-

minded us how brilliant we were at school. We were so brilliant, in fact, that the rest of the class had to wear smoked glasses, and they used us to light up the school on dull winter evenings.

We got our first real start in life when we were kicked by an army mule, it giving us the start of our life.

But we made our real beginning in the financial world in which they now call us the financial wizard ("The man must be a wizard the way he escapes those shroffs month after month") when, at the age of twelve, we had the astonishing good luck to be knocked down by the S.P.C.A. van as it was tearing down Nathan Road to stop a dog fight. After eight months in hospital we were awarded damages, which we had received when we were knocked down, in any case.

Then came the Great War. The Kellys were ever a proud race, and after we had been handed 36 lb. of white feathers our wife stuffed the bed with them, and we joined the colours under a misapprehension that we were seeking protection from her at a police station, and so we sailed away.

The rest is history. After we had had eighteen months of glorious freedom from her eternal nagging, they caught us and sent us to join our regiment. We were treated for shock and allowed to return to Hongkong, where we spent the rest of the war in the comparatively arduous task of defending the Colony against its enemies—mostly mosquitoes and shroffs—and got covered with medals, most of which we won at poker.

When we were invalided out of the army our wife wanted us to become a water diviner, but we could think of lots of things diviner than water, so we just loaf around the office here and get all the kicks. Somebody's got to do it. Remind us to tell you some more of our reminiscences the next time we are feeling a bit on the old side. After our next binge, before we make our New Year resolutions.

In the meantime don't go hoarding up your silver dollars. As the Colonial Treasurer was told when he was a child: "Silver should be seen and not heard."



"Say, when I was your age I couldn't wait to get to school."

DAYS OF DANGER
IN CHINA

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called autonomy movement in the North. Reports had been rife, said Sir Samuel, of the activity of Japanese agents, and the recent movements of Japanese troops were also supposedly connected with the autonomy movement. These reports caused the British Government considerable anxiety.

His Majesty's Charge d'Affaires in Tokyo had been specially instructed, therefore, to inform the Japanese Government of Great Britain's concern and to say that Great Britain would welcome a frank statement of Japanese policy.

JAPAN'S ANSWER

The Charge d'Affaires had been informed by the Japanese Government that the autonomy movement in North China was purely a Chinese movement. The Japanese Government, according to the report, was watching developments closely in view of its great interest in North China. Any idea that Japan was planning military intervention was entirely unfounded. His Majesty's spokesman was informed.

No Japanese troops had been moved into North China as a result of the autonomy movement, the Japanese Government informed Britain, and even the garrisons at Tientsin and Peiping were below their quota of strength.

Movements of troops near Peiping were explained, said Sir Samuel, by the fact that these forces were already south of the Great Wall, where Japan claimed she was entitled to maintain troops. These troop movements had been prompted by the alleged removal of rolling stock by the Chinese authorities.

Sir Samuel admitted the situation to be most obscure, but added that he trusted the conversations proceeding between the Chinese and Japanese Governments would result in an amicable settlement of the existing difficulties.

REGRETTED APPEARANCES

Sir Samuel said he could only regret it as unfortunate that events should have occurred which, whatever their actual truth, lent colour to the belief that Japan was bent on the being exerted to shape China's internal political destiny and administrative arrangements.

Anything tending to create this belief could only harm Japanese prestige and hamper developments, which all desired, of the friendliest mutual relations between Japan and China and their neighbours and friends.—*Reuter.*

HOARE'S PEACE
QUEST

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reign, or interfere with Italy's internal affairs.

LAY ASIDE SUSPICION!

"Can we not lay aside suspicion and concentrate upon finding a settlement, making it possible for the world to return to its normal life? There is no nation, no principality, no sanction which would not be delighted to see friendly relations with Italy restored and sanctions ended. But as long as collective action is needed, the League, including ourselves, is bound to proceed under the Covenant. Nor is there any likelihood that the League will weaken or its members fail to play their parts."

Sir Samuel did not disguise the difficulties, but said they must not despair of surmounting them. There were sufficient difficulties in the world without adding the trouble and the danger of the Ethiopian dispute.

The nations, he said, need a long period of rest and quiet of economic recovery, to assure permanent peace, is to be established.

"The peace of Britain, the Empire and the world has been the basis of our policy. We shall not hesitate to make our voice heard and our influence felt against war and international 'strife', he concluded.—*Reuter Special.*

ANTHONY EDEN SPEAKS

London, Dec. 5. Mr. Anthony Eden, Minister for Foreign Affairs, winding up the Foreign Affairs debate in the House of Commons, said the fact that fifty nations were willing to shoulder the unwelcome responsibility of sanctions constituted a remarkable testimony for their anxiety to see a new era prevail.

Mr. Eden believed that as collective security grew stronger it would be possible to reduce the level of armaments and if the League emerged stronger from the present dispute an opportunity which must not be missed would be created for seeking an agreement for reduction and limitation of armaments.—*Reuter.*

MUI-TSAI ISSUE
RAISEDQUESTION IN THE
COMMONS

London, Dec. 5. In the House of Commons, Mr. J. H. Thomas, answering his first question as Secretary of State for the Colonies, with reference to the Hongkong and Malaya, said the report of the Hongkong Committee had already been published in the Colony. Mr. Thomas added that a despatch had been received from the Governor in Malaya stating that in future his reports would be amplified, containing fuller information and giving the numbers of mui-tai.—*Reuter.*

AIR PACT URGENTLY
REQUIRED

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Germany are constructed as a recognition of the fact that the Naval Conference will be of little value. His remarks in regard to the oil embargo are construed as meaning that Britain is prepared to play her part, but that the co-operation of the United States and other countries is essential. Sir Samuel, on this matter, urged Signor Mussolini to agree to reasonable terms, saying "Britain has no wish to humiliate Italy; indeed, she is anxious to see Italy strong morally, politically and socially."

"I appeal to Signor Mussolini and his countrymen," said Sir Samuel in the course of his speech, "to dismiss suspicions of sinister motives behind our support of the League. Italy's friendship is wanted by England. I wish friendship, and I wish them to be firm friends."

PEACE EFFORT

Regarding sanctions, Sir Samuel declared it is now possible for practical application of pressure by all League States to be accepted in principle. Meanwhile, France and Britain will continue trying and intend to redouble their efforts in the short period before the League meeting.

With regard to Egypt, Sir Samuel said, "The Government is not unmindful of Egyptian aspirations and looks forward to Anglo-Egyptian relations being placed on a permanent footing satisfactory to both. The matter is receiving earnest attention."

NORTH CHINA OUTLOOK

Speaking with regard to the North China situation, Sir Samuel said, "Reports have been received regarding the activities of Japanese agents and the recent movement of Japanese troops, supposed to be connected with the autonomy movement. These reports have caused the British Government considerable anxiety. There is already too much inflammable material in Europe and the East for fresh powder to be added. The nations need a long rest."

Sir Samuel made an apparent effort at restraint while discussing "the serious cloud on the Chinese horizon" that is, the so-called autonomy movement in North China.—*United Press.*

SINGAPORE NAVAL
BASE COSTOVER FIVE MILLION
NOW SPENT

London, Dec. 5. Up to October 31, a sum of \$5,133,800 had been expended under Navy votes on the construction and equipment of the Singapore Naval Base, stated Mr. Kenneth Lindsay, Civil Lord of the Admiralty, in reply to a question by Mr. Thorne in the House of Commons.

It was added that a sum of £3,579,200 remains to be spent. The figures do not include £971,000 for the cost of the floating dock.—*Reuter.*

LENNOX SIMPSON
CLAIMNO USE IN PRESSING
MATTER

London, Dec. 5. In the House of Commons, Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, informed Mr. Geoffrey Mander that the Manchurian authorities persisted in their refusal to entertain the claim to compensation made by Mr. Lennox Simpson, well-known writer, who was expelled from the country.

Sir Samuel added that any attempt to take further steps would be of no avail.—*Reuter.*

SUSPENDS STATEMENTS

Rome, Dec. 5. The Bank of Italy has formally suspended condition statements, as was predicted.—*United Press.*

The latest donation to the Poppy Day Fund is a sum of \$18,800 from H.M.S. Lowestoft, bringing the total to \$11,834.43.

Mr. Henry Tobias, of Messrs. N. Lazarus has come to the Colony from Shanghai to relieve Mr. L. A. Tobias, who is proceeding to Japan on a health trip.

The Hongkong Stock Exchange have received a cable from Messrs. Derrick & Co., Local Secretaries in Singapore of the Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd., announcing the output for the four weeks ending November 30 to be 1,699 ounces.

Captain R. C. B. Anderson, M.C., of the Arxyl and Sutherland Highlands, is the new Adjutant of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. He has recently taken over from Major E. J. R. Mitchell, who has been acting since Captain P. S. M. Wilkinson relinquished the appointment.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

POSSESSION OF MOULDS FOR
COUNTERFEITING

On a charge of the possession of 11 moulds for counterfeiting Hongkong dollars, ten-cent and five-cent pieces, at No. 69 Fuk Wah Street, third floor, two unemployed men, Lam, alias Lam Tin-ang, aged 31, and Kwong Chiu pang, 30, were committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions, by Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistrate's court yesterday afternoon.

Detective Sergeant C. Goodwin was for the prosecution while Mr. D. L. Strellett appeared for the defence of Lam Lu.

At a previous hearing a third man, Lam Chun, was discharged.

It will be recalled that the prosecution stated the original purpose of the raid conducted on the afternoon of November 11 was for arms. In a small room near the kitchen the Police found nine moulds, and in an adjoining room two more moulds were discovered on a table. A tin containing a charcoal chatty and a basket with charcoal were also discovered.

Detective Lam Chi-ming gave evidence of the discovery of the paraphernalia. Sergeant Goodwin asked whose things they were and the first defendant replied that his friend made them. His friend was out and he had been asked to look after the fire in the chatty. First defendant also told witness there were subsidiary silver coins in the moulds.

Accused Other Man

About 4 p.m. second defendant came in and pointing to the first defendant said, "This is the man who is doing it. Second defendant stated that he was merely helping him. When searched five ten-cent pieces, one of which was false, were found on the second accused.

Detective Chan Kiu, who was given a seat in the witness box, he was feeling ill, gave corroborative testimony. This closed the case for the prosecution.

Mr. Strellett offered no evidence at this stage.

First defendant, when cautioned, stated: "I have already spoken to the Sergeant and detective before, and I don't want to say anything now."

Second defendant, from the witness stand, testified that up to November 11 he had lived for 18 or 19 days at the first defendant's premises. The latter came back from Macao on September 18 and was learning electro plating at a shop in Lanchow Road. Before leaving the house on the morning of November 11 witness saw the first defendant mix white clay with water and pour it into forms. Witness did not know what it was for. When he returned to the floor in the afternoon and was questioned by the Police he realised that the forms were moulds. He told the detectives that the moulds belonged to him and were made by the first defendant.

Another Case

A 30-year-old unemployed man named Mok Kwan appeared before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfarlane at the Central Magistrate's yesterday afternoon when committed proceedings against him were heard. Defendant was charged with importing into the Colony from China, 249 counterfeit Hongkong five-cent pieces and possession of them.

Detective Sergeant C. Byron conducted the prosecution, and the defence of Detective Inspector Murphy.

Relating the facts of the case, Sergeant Byron stated that at 11.45 on the night of November 24, Chinese Revenue Officer No. 107 was on duty at the Tung On Wharf, Connaught Road, searching arriving vessels. On the morning of the same day, when just arrived, C. R. O. 107 saw the defendant and stopped and searched him.

In a leather wallet attached to defendant's belt the C. R. O. found 149 counterfeit Hongkong five-cent pieces. On a further search being made, another 70 coins of the same denomination were found inside a paper packet of tobacco, wrapped in a roll. The C. R. O. suspected the coins to be bad, and took defendant to the Central Police Station where 50 more counterfeit five-cent pieces were discovered in defendant's pockets in his under-trousers. The following morning the coins were examined by a money-changer who pronounced them to be counterfeit. The coins were then wrapped up and despatched to the Government Analyst. The coins were received back on December 2.

Analyst's Report

Mr. A. Jackson, Acting Government Analyst, reported to receiving of the coins from Detective Sergeant Byron and of handing them over to Mr. Tetley.

Mr. J. L. Tetley, Assistant Government Analyst, testified that he received the coins from Mr. Jackson. Witness examined them and found the coins to consist of the same alloy, namely, an alloy of tin, antimony and copper.

Evidence that the coins were counterfeit was also given by Lam Piu, accountant of the Cheong Kee Money-changer's. He stated that he based his opinion on the coins being of a darker colour than the genuine coins and that they were also lighter in weight.

Corroborative evidence bearing out Sergeant Byron's opening statement was given by C. R. O. Hung Yiu. Formal evidence was given when Sergeant Byron was brought to the Station, of being given charge of the case and of being present when defendant was charged with the offences.

After the prosecution had closed their case, defendant elected to make a statement. He said that he was asked by a man in West Point to go to Canton to fetch the coins. Before he left the Colony, a letter and a

Cricket
Notes By
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Youngman, A. B. Hanson, C. W. Lam and A. T. Lee, while F. R. Zimmern, F. K. Lee and W. Leonard will also be available. It is good to hear that several new youngsters have joined the Club, of whom the best is probably W. Kapley, who used to represent the Dicoson Boys' School. He is a useful bat and a good medium-paced bowler, and if he concentrates on length and spin, and does not try to bowl too fast he should prove very useful to the Club.

It is, however, very unfortunate for Crickengower that W. Burrows will, I am told, be absent from the Colony. G. A. Souza, who showed prospect of becoming an excellent all rounder, has elected to play Association football. E. A. Souza too has a job which prevents him playing on Saturdays afternoons. But I hear a rumour that T. Yeoh, a former Varsity cricketer, may turn out for the Club, but I am not sure for the moment if he is still up at the University.

LEAGUE DRAWING TIME

Since I attacked the altered times of drawing I have received a few letters and been told by many people that they entirely agree with me. The curious thing is that I have never met anyone yet who has contended for any way possible on this side of the Harbour. Yet there must be many such for the motion was carried at the League Meeting. I wonder if the question of the two League Fixtures inter-club had anything to do with it? The proposal was defeated, and possibly those who defeated it did not bother much about anything else.

EMPIRE CRICKET

In view of the brilliant form displayed by the South African side in England last summer, it is interesting to note the progress of the Australian team in South Africa. So far as I have traced, they have heavily defeated Natal by an innings and twenty-six runs, and the Western Province. It remains to be seen what they will do in Test Matches, though I anticipate heavy defeats for South Africa, who will, no doubt, be much upset by the loss of their wicket-keeper, poor H. B. Cameron, who died of typhoid the other day. To me it seems extraordinarily tragic that the man, who survived being hit on the head full by one of Harold Larwood's fastest balls, should succumb to an absurd little germ. But such is the way of the world.

If I am right in my anticipation of heavy defeats for South Africa, the logical course would be to draw a very unfavourable omen for the success of our next Australian team. But it is not so really. The history of South African cricket shows that they are at their worst against Australia. Before now—nearly thirty years ago—they toured Australia with high hopes after an excellent season in England. But they did terribly. It will be interesting to see if the Australian complex remains. The wide-spread capability of Australian cricket is shown by the fact that they have another team touring in India. I am speaking without the book, but I believe it was invited over by an Indian prince—I forget which. The captain, a local Middlesex cricketer, himself an Australian, acted as negotiating agent. At first the Australian board of control rather refused him facilities as they were afraid the South African team might be depleted, but subsequently he was accepted. The tour, for which R. K. Oxenham is doing great things with the ball—was enabled to visit India.

THE CHEERO CLUB

WELL-KNOWN TALENT GIVES
ENJOYABLE CONCERT

An excellent programme of light music was enjoyed by an appreciative audience at the Cheero Club on Wednesday evening, when Mrs. Mathieson appeared with her party, comprising Mrs. Bennett, Mr. Barton and Dr. Ride, whilst Mr. Lindsay Lafford, F.R.C.O., A.R.C.M., L.R.A.M., accompanied at the piano. Among the items rendered were the following: Contralto solo by Mrs. Mathieson, "Poor man's garden" and "Trees"; soprano solos by Mrs. Bennett, "The water of time" and "My Bonny Lad"; baritone solos by Dr. Ride, "The Duke of Plaza Toro" and "Roving in the dew".

The vocalists' numbers were interspersed by several delightful piano-forte solos, played by Mr. Barton, including "The wedding day", "Waltz" by Coleridge Taylor, and "Prelude" by Chopin.

For the final number the party rendered a charming quartet, from Gilbert and Sullivan's "Gondoliers", entitled "A Regular Royal Queen". The Cheero Club announce that on Wednesday next, December 11, commencing at 9 p.m. there will be an unusual and thrilling entertainment, by Professor Savignani admission free, all servicemen welcome.

A dollar were given him. At Honam in Canton, he found a person, named Tse Buk, who handed over the parcel. It was only then that he found out the parcel contained opium. When he returned to Hongkong he was to meet the man who sent him to Canton outside the Western Market at 11 p.m. He did not know this man, but was promised \$2 for his trouble. Defendant was then committed to his Worship to stand trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

RADIO
BROADCASTRelay of the B.B.C.
Dance Orchestra

CLASSICAL PROGRAMME

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles):
4-7 p.m. Chinese Programme.
7-11 p.m. European Programme.
7-7.30 p.m. Orchestral Selections from Films.
The Merry Widow (Lehar); One hour with you, Wonder Bar; Music in the Air.
7.30-7.40 p.m. "Drinks all round."
7.40-7.50 p.m. Two Violin Solos by Sascha Jacobson.

1. To a wild Rose (MacDowell).
2. Pale Moon (Indian Love Song) (Logan).

7.50-8 p.m. From the Studio.
"Book Reviews" by Sabrina.
8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report; Closing Local Stock Quotations.

8.05-8.30 p.m. Ensemble Singing.
Rock and Roll; Oh! Leo. The American Eton Boys; It's Written all over your face; The Object of my affection; The Boswell Sisters; Old Fashioned Love; Limousine Blues. The Mills Brothers; Ole faithful; Take a look out when you die; The Hill Billies.

8.30-9 p.m. A Relay from Davenport. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.

9-9.20 p.m. A Relay from the Davenport News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).

9.20-9.35 p.m. From the Studio.
A Violin Recital by Conrado de la Cruz accompanied by Nura Kanis.

9.35-10.30 p.m. Classical Programme.
Symphony No. 45 ("Farwell") in F sharp minor (Haydn).

10 p.m. Big Ben; Reuter Press Bulletins.

See, Ev-chen! Where methought can be?—"Die Meistersinger" (Wagner). Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano).

Ernst and Frederick Schorr (Baritone). Ernst and Ernanil, flee with me—"Ernanil" (Verdi).

Peace, Peace, O God—"La Forza del Destino" (Verdi). Rosa. Ponselle (Soprano).

I still seem to hear—"I Pescatori di Perlo" (Bizet). Hour (The Dream).

O Charming hour (The Dream). "Manon" (Massenet). Beniamino. Gigli (Tenor).

10.30-11 p.m. Dance Music.
11 p.m. Close Down.

ZEESON PROGRAMMES

This Evening's Broadcast From The German Short-Wavers

Special programmes for Far Eastern listeners will be broadcast from Zeesen as follows:

SOUTH ASIA ZONE
South Asia Zone broadcast from DJB. (10.74 metres) and DJN (21.45 metres).
DJB 10.74 m 15,200 kc 4.45-5.11 p.m.
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DJB 10.74 m 15,200 kc 4.45-5.11 p.m.
DJN 10.74 m 15,200 kc 4.45-5.11 p.m.
4.45 p.m. DJB, DJN (German).

5 p.m. "Beauty and the Beast."
5.30 p.m. News in English.
5.45 p.m. A Merry Melody of Light Musical Entertainment.

6.45 p.m. News in German.
6.55 p.m. German Folk Song Programme. Forecast (German, English, French, Italian, Spanish, Dutch, Danish, Norwegian, Swedish, Finnish, Polish, Czech, Slovak, Hungarian, Rumanian, Bulgarian, Greek, Portuguese, Russian, Japanese, Chinese, Malay, Hindi, Urdu, Persian, Arabic, Hebrew, Yiddish, etc.).

8.15 p.m. Close down DJB, DJN (German).
EAST ASIA ZONE
East Asia Zone broadcast through DJQ on 10.83 metres (15,200 kc) 1.30-3 p.m. Concert, news at 2 p.m.

9 p.m. DJB, DJN, DJQ (German, English, French, Italian, Spanish, Dutch, Danish, Norwegian, Swedish, Finnish, Polish, Czech, Slovak, Hungarian, Rumanian, Bulgarian, Greek, Portuguese, Russian, Japanese, Chinese, Malay, Hindi, Urdu, Persian, Arabic, Hebrew, Yiddish, etc.).

9.15 p.m. News in English.
9.45 p.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJB, DJN.

10 p.m. A Merry Melody of Light Musical Entertainment.
11 p.m. "Olympia 1934." Talk by Reichsportführer v. Tschammer-Olsen.
11.15 p.m. News in German on DJA, DJB, DJN.

11.30 p.m. A day in Germany. Sound Pictures.
11.45 p.m. "Beauty and the Beast."
12.15 a.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJB, DJN.

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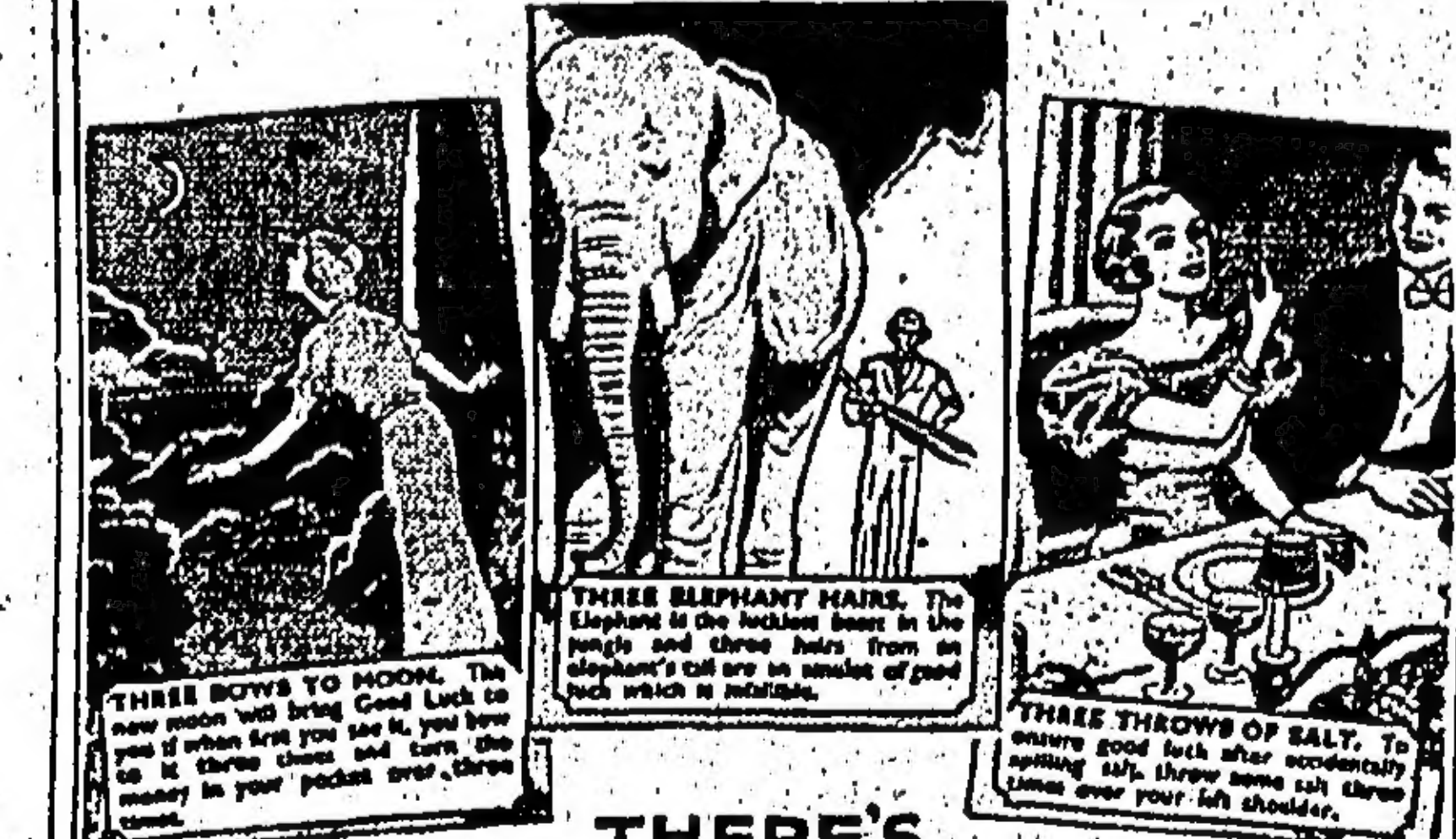
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MENZEL AND Davis Cup Players BRILLIANT PLAY AT THE NET S. A. RUMJAHN IN FORM

(By "Veritas").

Roderich Menzel, nearly seven feet of brawn, brain and muscle, held the attention of a goodly number of spectators at the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday afternoon when, in company with his compatriot, L. Hecht, the Czechoslovakian Davis Cupper and tennis player of world wide reputation appeared in exhibitions with and against local talent.

But he was a comparatively subdued Menzel and did not serve up his Wimbledon Centre-Court pyrotechnics. To those yesterday who had seen Menzel in action at Wimbledon the contrast in his play must have been an eye-opener. I discovered the same difference with E. D. Andrews at The Championships this year. These first class players certainly play 50 per cent. below their top form when in the Far East.

However both visitors gave entertaining displays, and in view of the fact that they have been playing almost continuously throughout the year, including the Japanese championships only a fortnight ago, and that they literally stepped straight from the boat to the court, they showed good form.

NOT SO GOOD ON GRASS

I think it is generally conceded that Menzel is far less effective on grass than on hard court; with the exception of Wimbledon, whose grass courts are the fastest in the world. They are even faster than the hard courts at the State Roland Garros according to Fred Perry.

Yesterday the court at the Club appeared to be quite slow, although the surface was true enough. Consequently Menzel with his fiercely topped ground strokes and service was at a disadvantage. But there were occasions when he flashed out glittering strokes which sent the ball speeding between the opposition, unreturnable. His overhead was delightful to behold, and when he took charge in the second set against Hecht and Hecht, he was playing with Willie Hung, spectators saw glimpses of the Menzel who a year ago had taken a love set from Perry in 12 minutes. He covered the whole of the court with amazing dexterity for one of his build, and he was well versed in anything which savoured of a loose shot.

Later, against the Rumjahn cousins, he volleyed well, although his habit of taking obvious backhand volleys on the forehand by hitting the ball well in front of him, is a tremendously unorthodox and somewhat ungainly.

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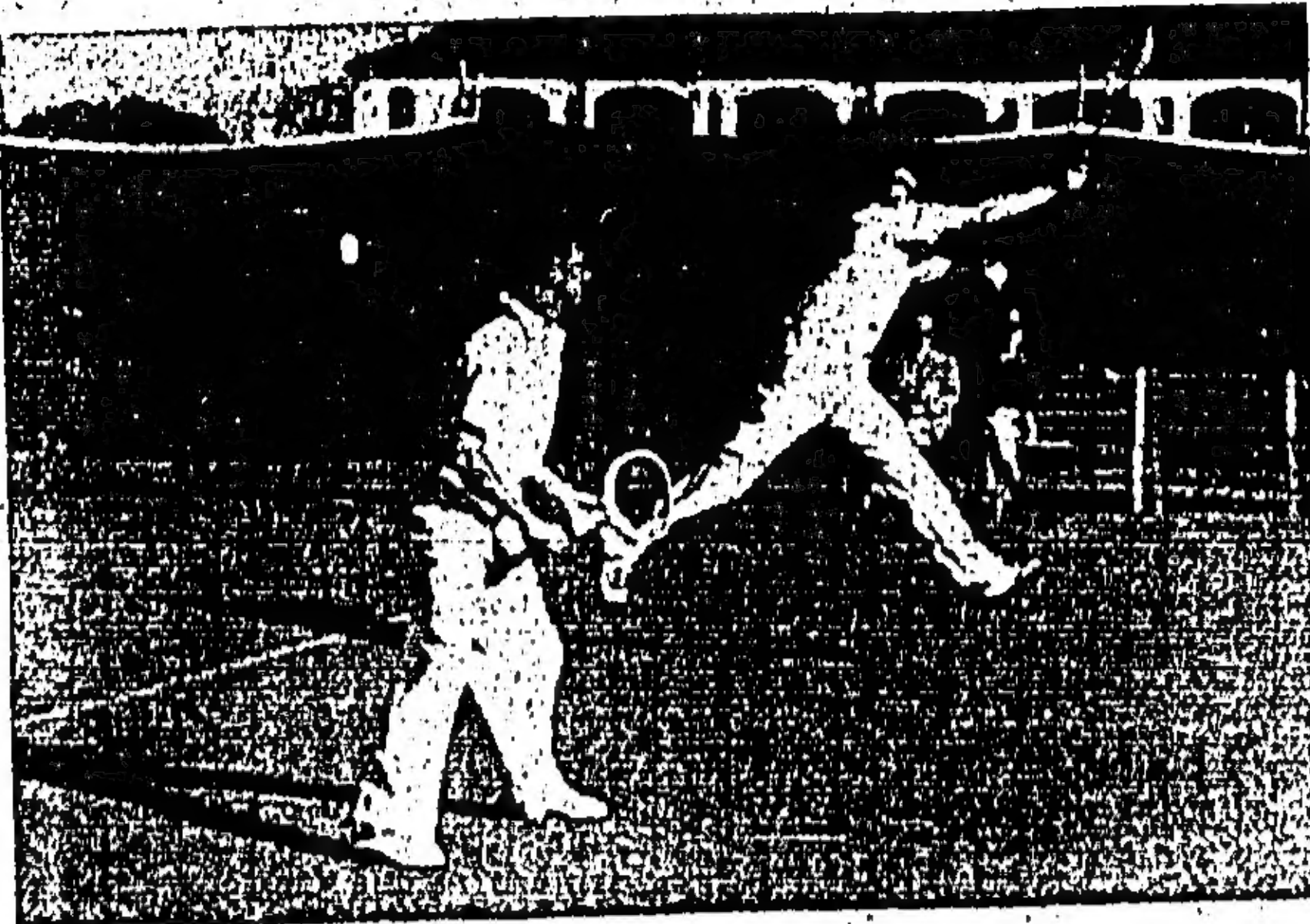
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HECHT SPARKLE IN EXHIBITIONS At Cricket Club



A typical action study of Menzel taken during yesterday's tennis exhibition. With him is W. C. Hung. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

CLEVER BADMINTON BY BLISS AND WEILL

TAKE TWO GAMES FROM ST. ANDREW'S SENIORS: FIRE BRIGADE HUSTLED

St. Andrew's "B" made a praiseworthy showing against their senior team when the two clashed in a men's doubles league match last night. They were beaten 7-2, but gave the winners a much better contest than the scores indicate.

"Sonny" Bliss and Maurice Weill were in particularly good form, winning two of their games and holding E. F. Fincher and Henry Kew to 10-21 before defeat.

S. A. Broadbridge and C. Angus also gave a creditable account of themselves taking 13 points from Guest and F. A. Broadbridge and a dozen from the Wong brothers.

Scores:—
E. F. Fincher and H. Kew (St. Andrew's "A") beat S. A. Broadbridge and C. Angus 21-3; beat L. E. Kirby and F. J. Dawson 21-2.
L. E. Kirby and F. J. Dawson (St. Andrew's "A") lost to Bliss and Weill 5-21; beat Broadbridge and Angus 21-13; beat Kirby and Dawson 21-7.
R. H. and F. V. Wong (St. Andrew's "A") lost to Bliss and Weill 20-24; beat Broadbridge and Angus 21-12; beat Kirby and Dawson 21-3.

FIRE BRIGADE JUST WIN
The Fire Brigade, with a weakened team, had a narrow escape from defeat when they met the Sailors and Soldiers' Home on the latter's court last night. The Fire Brigade scraped

Mixed Doubles Badminton
TO-NIGHT'S GAMES

Five matches are scheduled this evening in the mixed doubles badminton league, the most important being the Fire Brigade against Recreo "B". With the "Firemen" on their own court, they can be expected to win.

There is every possibility of Kowloon Tong scoring their first win of the season on their own court against St. John's, and the other home teams can be expected to win.

The programme is:—
Recreo "A" v. Talkoo
St. John's v. S. and S. Home
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Kowloon Tong v. St. John's

In the match here between an Indian Eleven and the Australian cricket team visiting India, the Home side were dismissed for 163, Mair taking five wickets for 50.

The Australians replied with 124 for 2 wickets, Morrially making 64 and Ryder 59, and being still together when stumps were drawn.

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In the Senior League the only first, including B. C. K. Hawkins, League game is one between the skipper, had made engagements Navy and the Army at King's Park in view of the blank day in the card.

With the Army out of form the game at least, I suppose there is a card might have been a terrific struggle I am a member of the Club and have had it been played a week or two not yet got one.

But Medway's departure has naturally weakened both the first and over thirty match which should be the second eleven, though Kent and Dorsetshire are still here with a bunch of Submarines. I think the Army "under thirty," but some of the older should win, pretty easily unless hands may be turning out. So far Garthwaite's injury still prevents him as I know University have no match from bowling.

The Craigengower eleven play the Indian eleven in non-League games. Besides the two non-League games the C.C.C. first eleven being at home, which I have already mentioned, it will be a good try out for them, Police are at home to the Navy, but I very much doubt if they can second eleven, but they will have to hold the Indian team if it is at full pull out a much better game than by no means a bad team and a good strength. K.C.C. had a blank day they have done so far, if they are start will mean a good deal to them.

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THE JUNIOR LEAGUE
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MACAO RACE MEETING

GOOD SPORT PROMISED FOR SUNDAY

THE MOST FANCIED PONIES

(By "Captain Foster")

The Autumn race meeting under the auspices of the Macao Jockey Club will be held at Arcia Preta, Macao, on Sunday. First saddling will be at 1.30 p.m., and the first race will be run at 2 o'clock. The Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co. Ltd., will berth the s.s. Kinsan and she will leave at 9.30 a.m., returning from Macao at 5.30 p.m.

Very good entries have been received, and in view of the fact that the allotment of weights has been framed by Mr. C. M. Alves, the events will be keenly contested and a day of thrills and good dividends is assured. The feature of the meeting will be the special Two Dollar Cash Sweep on the fourth race, South China Cup, confined to "B" and "C" classes over a mile and I am told that the first prize will be in the neighbourhood of \$75,000. The trip to the Portuguese Colony, apart from racing, is worth making and I hear a good crowd will turn up.

In the opening event, Shek-O stakes, I fancy the chances of Tin Ho, Beginner's Luck and Flamingo. Tin Ho, by virtue of a win at the Valley, has incurred a penalty of 5 lbs. and I am afraid that may put him out.

STANLEY HANDICAP
The Stanley Handicap has been subdivided into two sections at the discretion of the handicapper and there are 17 good "uns" in the first section. It is not likely that all will accept in view of the main event, but we should see a good race and Festival Eve, who likes the Portuguese course owing to, I presume, the environment, is set to shoulder only 144 lbs. Tiny Star looks good at 144 lbs. but I am afraid Mr. G. Roza will not be able to tip the scale and can't see him winning at all.

Valley, who has a long sequence of 11 unplaced outings and it is about time that he should present his card to the Judges. Rousseau has another engagement and whenever he starts, he is worth 50 crotchets.

In the second section of the Stanley Handicap, Valley Hall will be competing. His last outing was at

Not much of a dividend will be paid out in the Victoria Handicap for "C" Class Ponies as Soldier of China, after his easy win last week at the Valley, is almost a "cert" and Monoplane and Pride of Tsingtao should be placed. Racing Boy is in fine fettle and is worth an outside bet.

The last race on the Card is the Consolation Stakes to be ridden by

FLYING TOURIST—not to be seriously considered.

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In the Senior League the only first, including B. C. K. Hawkins, League game is one between the skipper, had made engagements Navy and the Army at King's Park in view of the blank day in the card.

With the Army out of form the game at least, I suppose there is a card might have been a terrific struggle I am a member of the Club and have had it been played a week or two not yet got one.

But Medway's departure has naturally weakened both the first and over thirty match which should be the second eleven, though Kent and Dorsetshire are still here with a bunch of Submarines. I think the Army "under thirty," but some of the older should win, pretty easily unless hands may be turning out. So far Garthwaite's injury still prevents him as I know University have no match from bowling.

The Craigengower eleven play the Indian eleven in non-League games. Besides the two non-League games the C.C.C. first eleven being at home, which I have already mentioned, it will be a good try out for them, Police are at home to the Navy, but I very much doubt if they can second eleven, but they will have to hold the Indian team if it is at full pull out a much better game than by no means a bad team and a good strength. K.C.C. had a blank day they have done so far, if they are start will mean a good deal to them.

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COMRIE HANDICAP PROVIDES EXCITING RESULT

There was really a good turn out of racing enthusiasts at the Thirteenth Extra, or as it is better known, the St. Andrew's Meeting held last Saturday under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club. It was undoubtedly the best Meeting since the recess and I am sure that everybody must have enjoyed it.

As was predicted, there were several close finishes with plenty of thrills and excitement, especially in the penultimate race the Comrie Handicap (Second Section) when the Judges could not separate the ponies for the first and third places, and the red hot favourites had a very poor day.

Good dividends, although not over three figures, were the order of the day and the St. Andrew's "ball" started to roll in the Ewa Handicap when Boodle paid \$31.20 for a win. It was immediately followed by Harvest View in the Crief Handicap returning \$83 to its supporters. It was fitting for Tillicum to register his first win of the year in the President of St. Andrew's Society, Dr. J. C. Macgown and rewarded with \$41.10.

After this, the excitement ceased a bit. The main event over the Derby distance was the only race in which the favourite, Ribble, owned by Mr. V. M. Grayburn, did not let the punters down and remunerated them with \$12.70. The lowest "div" of the day namely \$12.40 was handed out by Mr. Leo Frost on Gladiator in the Glasgow Handicap and in the next race Vixen Tor outlived the meeting with \$77.00. The dead-heat between Emergency Call and the penultimate event the Comrie Handicap (Second Section) could not pay more than \$18.80 and \$26.60 respectively, and Mr. H. A. Botelho, who scored his third novice win on Soldier of China, closed the meeting with \$89.00 to the delight of the punters.

LUCKY WIN
Mr. Leo Frost was lucky to win the Glasgow Handicap owing to a misunderstanding on the part of Messrs. Proulx and Roza on the two Kings and it was amusing that no jockey could score double.

This was the second occasion that two ponies have dead-heated in the second selected race of the Daily Double Event, the other time being at the Eleventh Extra Race Meeting held last year on November 17 when Oak Bay and Brechin finished together in the Castle Peak Handicap. It is understood that the Official Handicapper, Mr. C. M. Alves has given an undertaking to the members of the betting public that he will not frame any more Dead Heats and not to spoil their dividend.

The Hon. J. J. Peterson entertained members of the staff of the Princely House to lunch at his private stand before the great classic race and it would interest one to know whether the "good ones" were responsible for the unsatisfactory Messrs. Gardiner and Nicholls on Wisdom Stag and Silver Fox respectively in the Ewa Handicap. Mr. Leo Frost on Locksley Hall gave a very disappointing display but in fairness to him, it must be said that it was more due to the pony than the jockey. The winner, Mr. Hopkins just managed to sit on and won comfortably. The cover player, Mr. Hill on Lion Hunter, who came in second, said after the race that it was easier to play football than to kick a pony. Luckily, Mersey ridden by Mr. Gaudibert was third, otherwise the gentleman in charge of handing out the poultice, would have to appear before the Stewards to answer the protest lodged by the owner for allotting 180 lbs. After all, is China Pony a weight carrier or not?

IN FINE FORM
Harvest View reproduced his fine form when he ran second to Ponting Bay in the Hongkong Girl's Cup and won the Crief Handicap in easy fashion. He took the lead from the word "go" and was never at any time of the race seriously challenged. Monoplane could not do better than finish second. Pride of Taingao (Mr. Frost) the hot favourite with 423 backers to win had to bow to

Bistre for third placing. The sprint race, Comrie Handicap (First Section) over five furlongs attracted 12 runners. There was a little delay in the start, but when the barrier was released, Belmont Star did the running and was followed by Heart's Glory, Flying Tourist, Rousseau and others in close attendance. There was hardly any change round the corner, but after passing the 2 mile post the running of Heart's Glory and Rousseau was hampered and the whole trouble was that the field of 12 did not spread out a bit when entering the straight. However, it was a surprise that no one thought of lodging a protest though there were some heated arguments over the matter in the Jockey's room. Tillicum certainly selected an auspicious day to register his first win of the year for the President of St. Andrew's Society and the chairman, Dr. J. C. Macgown was showered with congratulations from members of his clan.

NOT FAR WRONG
I predicted the order of the finish in the St. Andrew's Stakes would be Ribble, Mistake Bay and The Tiger but the result was Ribble, The Tiger and Mistake Bay and the old stager Hetman came in fourth. There were seven acceptors for the main event as against four last year. Ribble was made a hot favourite and the public were justified in placing their confidence on him. A good send off saw King's Bounty taking the lead and Hetman, Mistake Bay and others. Going down the decline for the first time, Mr. Proulx pulled up King's Bounty and dismounted, this being due to a broken stirrup leather.

Passing the Judge's Box for the first time, the order of running was The Tiger, Hetman, Mistake Bay and Bright View, and Mr. Botelho on Ribble was quite content to watch the field from behind. Up the incline The Tiger was still leading the procession but Mistake Bay moved up to second position and was followed by Hetman. Ribble passed her without much difficulty. It could be seen that at this point Mr. Botelho had the race well in hand and won comfortably by 1½ lengths. There was a good fight between The Tiger and Mistake Bay for second honour and The Tiger secured the verdict by a head. Mr. Botelho rode a well timed race on Ribble and the combination gave Mr. V. M. Grayburn a handsome Silver Cup. I believe this is his first racing trophy.

GLASGOW HANDICAP
It could hardly be called a field as there were only four starters in the Glasgow Handicap confined to "A" Class Ponies and this was the first leg of the Daily Double Event. In a good start, King's Justice took the lead and was followed by Cyclamen Bay with King's Warden and Gladiator (close the rails) in the rear. The same position was maintained right up to the Three Furlong Post and after this, Mr. Proulx who knew that he could not win with King's Justice, decided to give the rails to King's Warden, but instead Mr. Frost helped himself. In a flash he was through with Gladiator and King's Warden lost a good bit of the ground by coming on the outside.

Despite the very liberal use of the whip, King's Warden had to bow to Gladiator by 1½ lengths.

The Fremantle St. Leger winner, Cold Morning and the sprinter South-ern Cross refused to accept the weights allotted and there were only eight runners in the Coogee Handicap for "A" class Austicks. It was indeed a treat to watch this event and the finish was very exciting. Mr. Alec Potts deserved a pat on the back in sending them off almost in a line and the speedy merchant Atlas under the able guidance of Mr. Proulx was first away like lightning with Boblink Star, Shooting Star, Vixen Tor and the rest following. It was a ding-dong affair in the home run and Vixen Tor won eventually, beating Boblink Star by three-quarters of a length and the latter accounted for Atlas by half-a-length. Saucy Face lost the third place by a head and Australian Boy, Racing Heart and Shooting Star were well up. Vixen Tor did certainly spring a surprise in winning the race and there is no denying that she and the jockey Mr. Ralph are hard to beat. No doubt she had a pull of 13 lbs from Boblink Star but it must be admitted that she was conceding weights to a few old timers.

The best race of the day was seen in the penultimate event, the Comrie Handicap "D" Class (Second Section) which incidentally was the second leg of the Daily Double Event and spotting the winner was enough

to drive one crazy. However, all accepted and it was a tribute to the Handicapper. With the exception of Nebular Star who had a bad start, the rest of the field got away pretty well and down to the Black Rock, Warrington was heading with 17th of September, Gold Bullion and others in close attendance. They were well bunched together coming round the bend, and the rail-birds, especially those at the public stand, were getting very excited when the field started to spread out for the home run.

From this point onwards, there was nothing else but shouts and the prominent ponies to be seen were (starting from the rails) Emergency Call, The Rain Gauge, Solar Star, Warrington, 17th of September, Partnership and Mersey. They were racing neck and neck under hard pressure with the liberal use of the whip and without the slightest exaggeration, all the ponies named passed the Winning Post almost in a line. No one could tell the Winner except the Judges and they took some good time to deliberate.

In the meantime, the successful punters were impatiently waiting the decision of the Judges and when one of the energetic staff of "Tommy Atkins" put the saddle numbers "5" (Mersey) and "1" (Emergency Call) horizontally in the frame to be followed below with "6" (Mr. Frost) and "11" (The Rain Gauge) horizontally, and under the frame with

"Dead Heat" "Short Head" and "The Same", there were many happy and smiling faces.

The staff of the Pari-Mutuel department, especially those dealing with Place Betting did not like the decision presumably because they had to work out dividends on four ponies. There were more backers to win on Mersey than Emergency Call and it was a funny coincidence that in the Daily Double Event these two ponies had the same amount of supporters and paid \$70.80. The betting number of Mersey was 454 and this added together was 13.

Mr. H. A. Botelho, who scored his third novice win on Soldier of China, rode a well timed race in the last event, the Inverness Handicap and paid the biggest dividend of the day namely \$83.00. There was an argument after the race that it was Mr. Botelho's first winning record, but on looking up the racing record of the Hongkong Jockey Club, I found that his first win was on his own pony City Hall in 1923 and that he rode Ray of Calamity to victory, and dead-heated with Bay of Bellingham, D (Mr. Soares) in 1931. Valorous the red hot favourite let the punters down badly and the end of a perfect day saw Mr. Li Lan-sung leading in the ponies Bright Star and Night View ridden by the Choy brothers, who were second and third respectively.



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SERIAL STORY

DONNA'S BIG TOP

by BEULAH DOWNIER

CHAPTER XLVII

It was Minnie who discovered that Donna was gone. Miss Perkins, the nurse, who considered it a blessing that Donna was at rest at last, spoke sharply to the servant girl and hustled her into the kitchen to get supper. Whether any one else in the family wanted food or not, the nurse felt the need of it.

Sniffing audibly, Minnie set about preparing the meal. It was not strange to her that Mrs. Siddal did not come down to help. She was probably prostrated by grief. Minnie set the table, placed the food upon it, and called Miss Perkins. The nurse insisted that Bill must eat something, too.

"Ask Mrs. Siddal to come down, Minnie," she added. "Tell her I said she must have some food. She mustn't let herself get ill."

Rubbing her red eyes with a handkerchief, Minnie mounted the stairs. The sniffling was gone when she dashed back into the dining room. "She's gone!" Minnie cried excitedly. "Miss Siddal's gone!"

"Maybe she's outside," the nurse suggested.

"No, Ma'am. Her travelling bag's gone and there isn't any toilet things on the dresser! There's a big trunk in the hall with her name on it. Oh, my Lordie!" Minnie began to wring her hands, as if Donna's disappearance affected her personally.

Bill pushed back his chair and strode from the room. Only too evident were the indications of his wife's departure. Bureau drawers and clothes hangers were empty. The huge wardrobe trunk with the black letters, "Madeline Gabriel," stood at the foot of the second flight of stairs.

She had gone without a word to him. If he needed further proof that Con David had told the truth this supplied it.

Bill searched for some farewell message, but there was none. Even before Grandfather's funeral, Madeline had left the house. Was she utterly heartless? But why expect more of a woman who had been a client from the day he had first met her?

Why had she married him? Had she separated from the animal trainer and been afraid a divorce would have been frowned upon by Grandfather? Or was she and David divorced, so that she was legally Bill's wife? No—if that were the case she would not have run away.

He heard the telephone bell ringing, but did not answer it. Presumably he heard Miss Perkins saying, "Hello! Yes, he's here." Then she called, "A woman wants to speak to you, Mr. Siddal."

A wild hope that it was Madeline stirred in Bill's breast. When he heard Mrs. Perkins' voice over the wire his disappointment was so acute that he felt almost ill.

"Bill, in spite of the way you talked to me I'm still your friend. I just wanted to tell you that the circus feller checked out of the hotel and has gone to Chicago."

the old man, his snowy head on a white pillow, his face as peaceful as if he were sleeping. Some of the contentment Amos Siddal had known in life seemed to cling to him in death, and the harassed young man, keeping the death watch, felt it.

At 6 o'clock in the morning the telephone rang again. Groggily with fatigue and the emotional storm he had endured, Bill staggered into the hall.

A man's voice said, "This is Curt Kellogg, Bill. There's a telegram for you. Want I should read it or send it out?"

"Read it to me."

"It's dated to-day, five a.m., Chicago. It reads, 'Con David died. May I come back and explain? Wire Blackstone Hotel, Madeline. Want to send an answer?'"

"Not now."

Bill went into the living room and sat down, his hands hanging limply between his knees. So she wanted to come back and explain. Explain what? That she was divorced from Con David but—with her grandfather still buried—had run away to Chicago with him?

Telegrams were public property in Lebanon. Before noon everyone in town would know that not only had Bill Siddal's wife run away with another man, but she had wired her husband to take her back.

He'd be damned if he would! He had told her he would get out and that would not have created a scandal. He could have gone back to finish his medical course and later affairs between himself and Madeline could have been arranged quietly.

No, he couldn't answer the telegram. Let her go back to the circus where she belonged. She had never been truly happy on the farm. Always there had been something on her mind. No matter how close they had seemed there had always been a barrier between them.

The other marriage explained that. Poor kid, probably she had worried plenty. Maybe she had heard from David and was afraid of what he might do. Maybe everything hadn't been easy for her. No, she use get sentimental. She was gone. Let her stay where she was!

But he could not dismiss the telegram. The uncertainty, the feeling that perhaps she was in trouble persisted. There was a streak of stubbornness in Bill's nature, however, that would not let him do what his heart prompted.

The day passed with no answer seen. And another day passed. Then came the funeral. Services were held at home and, in spite of the distance from town, many were present. Neighbours who had known Amos Siddal all his life and loved him, many drawn through curiosity to learn, if possible, why young Mrs. Siddal had gone away. Others to see how Bill was taking the situation.

There were some who had known Donna casually and liked her, who refused to believe that she had gone away with another man.

It was a bitter ordeal for Bill. The sight of Mrs. Perkins in rusty black, sobbing dolefully, was almost too much for him. He would have liked to fling her out of the house but he could not do that. She had lived in the Siddal home for five years and was supposed to be a close friend. He managed to avoid her and ignored the condolences she offered. Joe Hoskins, the lawyer, a lifelong acquaintance of Grandfather Siddal, rode to the cemetery in the car with Bill, Minnie and Miss Perkins sat behind.

a letter addressed to the two of you, but I have an idea that hasn't anything to do with the property."

"But I don't understand! I always thought—"

"I reckon he figured that, as you were man and wife, it didn't make any difference who had the property and maybe it was wiser for the man to have the say than the woman."

"But this will can't stand. It's— it's wrong! Let's read it at once, Mr. Hoskins. There must be some mistake!"

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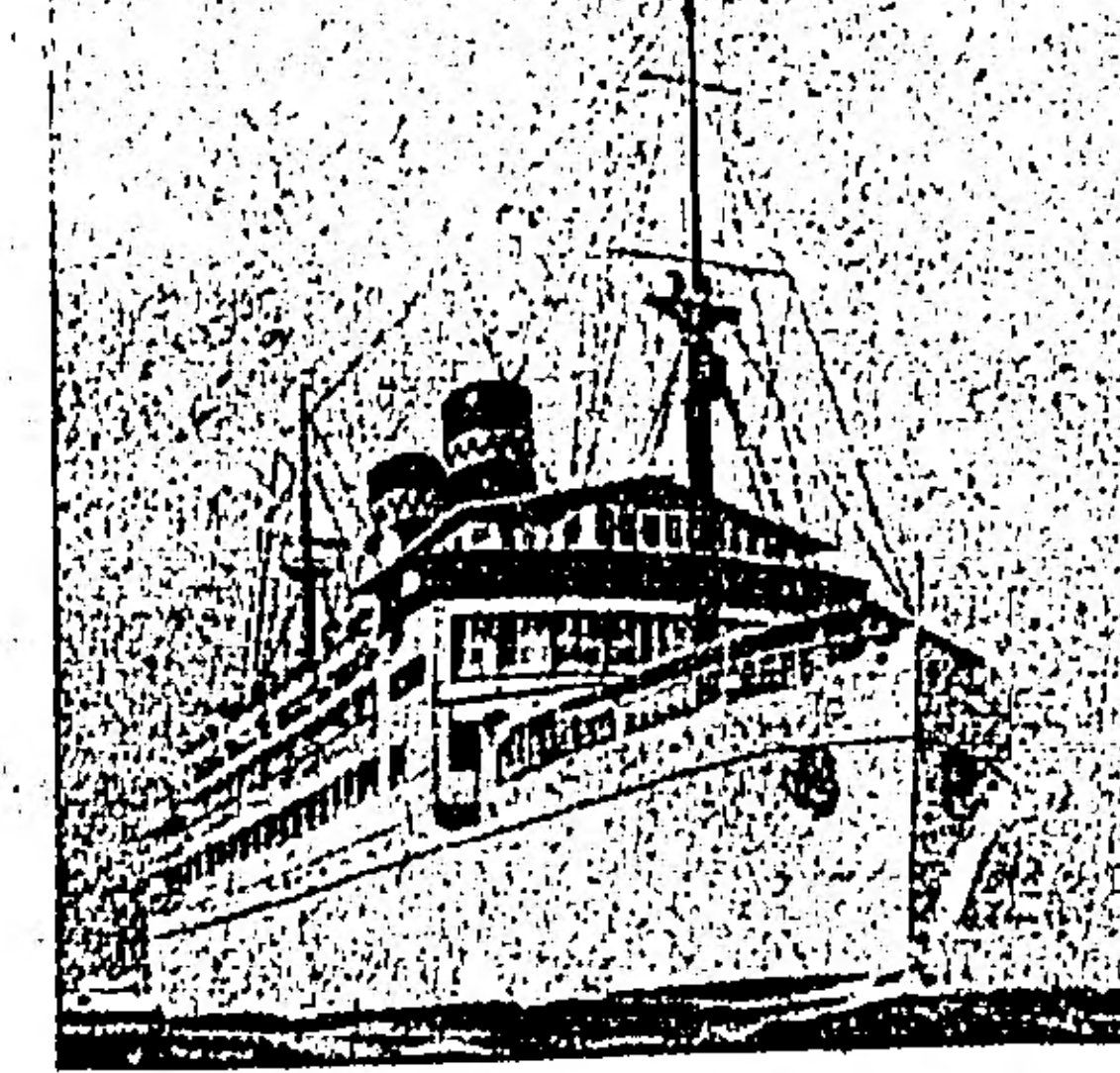
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The American Minister said that unusual developments in any part of China were of interest not only to China but to all treaty powers whose rights and obligations with respect to China were identical.

Mr. Hull did not mention Japan specifically, but said the United States "regards it as most important that in the current period of world-wide political unrest and economic instability governments and peoples should keep faith in their principles and pledges."

He said opinions vary regarding what is transpiring in North China, "but whatever the origin and whoever the agents may be, the fact stands out that an effort is being made, and being resisted, to bring about a substantial change in the political status and conditions in several of China's northern provinces."—United Press.

SUNG'S DECISION

Tokyo, Dec. 5.
The Tokyo Nihon Nichi Nichi Peiping correspondent quotes General Sung Chieh-yuan as saying that he would accept Nanking's appointment as "Commissioner of Hopei and Chahar provinces in the event of General Ho Ying-ching remaining at Peiping and taking responsibility for the affairs of North China."

He also says that General Sung, during his conference with General Ho, denied that he intended to indicate any rebellious attitude towards Nanking or that he had been subjected to foreign influence.—United Press.

GLOOM IN PEIPING

Peiping, Dec. 5.
With General Sun Chieh-yuan's mysterious departure and the alleged Chinese insult to the Japanese military in Peiping, profound gloom has replaced the recent optimism that a solution would be found for the North China crisis.

The nature of the affront to the Japanese military, which the Japanese are taking "a serious view" is not specified. It is believed, however, that it revolves around the arrest by Chinese police in Peiping of four Japanese, on a charge of illegally entering the home of a Chinese resident, and demanding settlement of an alleged debt.

It was subsequently found that one of those arrested was a Japanese gendarme in plain clothes.—Reuter.

BRITISH ATTITUDE

London, Dec. 5.
Replying to questions in the House of Commons, Sir Samuel Hoare, Foreign Secretary, said both the Japanese and Chinese Governments were fully aware of the British Government's attitude regarding the protection of British interests in China.

Sir Samuel added that the situation, particularly in North China, was being closely watched by the British Ambassadors, but at the moment it does not appear to call for the taking of any special steps.—Reuter.

APPEAL TO ALL NATIONS

Washington, Dec. 5.
Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, has given notice to the world that the United States does not look with equanimity upon the autonomy movement in North China. He calls upon all nations to respect existing treaties.

He does not mention Japan in his formal statement, but observers believe he was alluding to that power when he said:

"Whatever the origin or whatever the agents, the fact stands out that an effort is being made, and being resisted, to bring about a substantial change in the political status and conditions in several of China's northern provinces."—United Press.

TREATY ALREADY BROKEN

JAPAN'S VIEW ON NINE POWER PACT

FREQUENTLY VIOLATED

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Tokyo, Dec. 5.
Commenting on the representations of the Chinese Ambassador to England, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, in conversations with the British Foreign Office with respect to the Nine Power Pact, a Japanese spokesman said today that the Government could not understand such references in view of the fact that the Nine Power Treaty directly conflicts with the Kuomintang principles.

Furthermore, the Nine Power Pact has been ineffective from the beginning, according to the Japanese view.

Asked to point out specific instances of evasion of the pact, the spokesman said there were many instances, especially on the part of China.

The spokesman frequently reiterated: "I cannot understand why Mr. Quo Tai-chi raised the question."

He admitted that Japan had signed the Nine Power Treaty without reservation, but added that conditions had changed. However, he did not say that the treaty was dead, but remarked that the document treats China as an "object of the treaty, or a colony." He gave no indication of Japan's attitude in the event of a proposal that the Nine Power Treaty signatories should confer.

Replying to questions regarding the London Naval Conference, the spokesman said he had not received any new information.—United Press.

NO POSTPONEMENT

Tokyo, Dec. 5.
Press reports on the North China situation continue to be confusing, in view of the sudden disappearance of General Sung Chieh-yuan.

However, Japanese circles do not believe that General Sung's disappearance will cause any prolonged postponement of the declaration of actual autonomy.—United Press.

STRICT CENSORSHIP

Shanghai, Dec. 5.
Chinese reports state that the Chongking native guild has passed a resolution to strictly censor all news reports regarding the North China situation.—United Press.



Sir Samuel Hoare, who lengthily reviewed British foreign policy in the House of Commons yesterday.

CHARGED BEFORE LORDS

YOUNG PEER FREE ON BAIL

IMPRESSIVE CEREMONIES

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

London, Dec. 5.
Lord de Clifford, who is being charged with manslaughter in connection with the death, on August 19, of Mr. Douglas George Hopkins, motor engineer, as the result of a motor accident, surrendered to the House of Lords to-day, preparatory to his trial, on December 12.

The accused was taken to the Earl Marshall's room until the opening of the House of Lords, when he was brought by Black Rod to the bar of the House, where he knelt on both knees.

Amid profound silence, the Lord Chancellor told Lord de Clifford that he might rise, and invited him to address the House, if he wished, or to retire. Accused then retired without speaking.

Lord Onslow then moved that Lord de Clifford be admitted to bail, to which he offered personal recognizances.

After the motion was agreed to, Lord de Clifford was again brought to the bar of the House, where he was informed that bail had been granted, and Lord de Clifford retired.—Reuter.

NEW POST FOR MR. RIDDELL

OIL CONTROVERSY NOT INVOLVED

Ottawa, Dec. 5.
It is announced that Mr. W. R. Riddell, the Canadian representative at Geneva, has been appointed to attend the International Labour Conference in Chile. His departure has no connection with his action on November 2 in suggesting an oil embargo against Italy, according to a statement by the acting Prime Minister.

The acting Premier states that Mr. Riddell was assigned to Chile a fortnight ago, before the Dominion Government statement of December 1, in which Mr. Riddell's statement was declared to be a personal one and not officially emanating from the Government.

The Government will immediately select an official to replace Mr. Riddell at Geneva.—Reuter.

HONGKONG DOLLAR RATES

CENTRAL SCHEME IN OPERATION

To-day marked the first day of Government control of Hongkong currency, and the Bank's official rate on opening was 1s. 4d., a decline of halfpenny on yesterday's quotation. The control rate was 1s. 4½d. Business was done on the opening at 1s. 4½d, and then at 1s. 4½/16d, with small business at the control rate. No marked variation in rates is now expected.

ITALY TO RESIST EMBARGO

AMERICAN FIRMS LENDING AID

REPEATED REPORTS

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

Paris, Dec. 5.
Despite the Italian Government's denial, the Rome correspondent of the London Telegraph states that negotiations have been successfully concluded between Italy and the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey whereby, in the event of the oil embargo being voted in Geneva, the Company will furnish Italy with all the oil she requires.

In the event of a blockade operating in the Mediterranean, the needs of the Italian Expeditionary Force would be covered by sending the consignments via the Far East.

The Italian Government, in return, will give the Company a thirty years monopoly in the supply of oil to the Government.

The correspondent also declares that Italy has discussed with American firms the question of opening a credit of a thousand million gold lire to the Government.

BITTER BATTLE NOW NEAR

Mighty Armies Face One Another

Rome, Dec. 5.
Intensive activity is apparent on the part of Italian advance outposts and the strong advance patrols of the Ethiopian army which is advancing towards Makale, according to messages received here.

Contact between the main bodies of the two great armies is expected shortly and high Italian military officers express the hope that the Ethiopians will play into Italy's hands by attacking on the Eritrean front.—Reuter.

develop the Albanian oil fields, from which Italian Government officials are reported to have said, Italy could obtain within a year 300,000 tons of oil.—Reuter Special.

An authoritative source says the Vacuum Oil Company has completed arrangements to construct a modern oil refinery at Naples at a cost of 75,000,000 lire.

This is regarded as evidence that the prospect of an embargo does not worry American oil men.—United Press.

U. S. AID EMBARGO?

Washington, Dec. 5.
It is reported that the Administration's advisers desire one word to be appended to the Neutrality Act, thus permitting an oil embargo and leaving other semi-monitions, such as cotton, copper, etc., for later consideration.

It is believed the League of Nations action on oil on December 12 will influence the Administration's attitude and may decide whether oil will be subject to a mandatory embargo with other munitions.

Meanwhile, it is believed that the State Department is awaiting the envoys' reports on the rumored deal between Italy and a Standard Oil Company of New Jersey subsidiary.—United Press.

COMPANY'S DENIAL

New York, Dec. 5.
The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey has issued a statement to the effect that, with one unimportant exception, no Standard Oil interests have made shipments to Italy of what might be termed "war business."

The Company has held that nothing should be done by any citizen to embarrass the efforts of the United States Government to avoid entanglement in European political situation. The Company adds that when an extraordinary demand for oil for war operations developed, the Standard Oil Company, as a majority owner of an old-established domestic company in Italy, was in a favored position and gets this expanded business, but did not take it. The Company's total shipments to Italy so far, plus those to be made for the remainder of December, are actually less than the shipments in 1934.—Reuter.



Mr. Cordell Hull, U.S. Secretary of State, who has made an outspoken declaration on the North China situation, calling on all nations to respect existing treaties.

AIR PACT URGENTLY REQUIRED

BRITISH POLICY ON ARMAMENTS

LITTLE HOPE OF PROGRESS

London, Dec. 5.
In the House of Commons, Sir Samuel Hoare, Foreign Secretary, speaking on foreign affairs during the debate on the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne, denied that there had been any change of foreign policy since the departure of Sir John Simon.

The Government, he said, had made a fresh attempt to discuss armament reduction with Herr Hitler, but he regretted that the present German view was that as long as the Ethiopian war continued, there was little to be gained by continuing the discussions.

Sir Samuel declared that an Air Pact and a reduction in air armaments were urgently needed, and the Government would lose no opportunity in resuming the discussions on these issues, hoping to bring them to a successful termination.

Dealing with Colonial war materials, Sir Samuel recalled his speech at Geneva, in which he admitted the anxiety of certain countries not possessing raw materials. He said he believed the problem was economic, not political, and added that the Government was ready for investigation in a calm and dispassionate atmosphere, but it could not discuss the matter with any hope of settlement in an atmosphere of war.—Reuter.

NO NAVAL ACCORD?

London, Dec. 5.
Sir Samuel Hoare's remarks in the House of Commons in regard to the League of Nations were interpreted as a warning that the League's embargo might be ineffective.

RADICALS FAIL TO AGREE

LAVAL GOVERNMENT STILL INSECURE

Paris, Dec. 5.
The fate of the Government still hangs in the balance. The debate in the Chamber has been adjourned until to-morrow morning. There was a meeting of Radical Socialists this evening at which it was hoped to secure agreement on policy. The meeting was without result. The group meets again to-morrow afternoon.—Reuter.

GOLD FLOODS AMERICA

HIGHEST HOLDINGS IN HISTORY

Washington, Dec. 5.
The United States gold supply exceeds \$10,000,000,000 for the first time in history, according to the Federal Reserve Board's weekly statement. The rise of the gold stocks during the past week has amounted to \$135,000,000, including a single shipment from Europe totalling \$80,000,000.—Reuter.

HOPES OF PEACE DASHED

ITALY ANTICIPATES NO SETTLEMENT

EXPECTED TO REFUSE NEW FORMULA

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Rome, Dec. 5.
An official spokesman said to-day that Italy sees no foundation for foreign optimism regarding the possibility of an Italo-Ethiopian settlement. He said that Franco-British conversations, without Italian participation, had no significance. "We know nothing about them, and have received no communications, and therefore see no foundation for optimism," he declared.—United Press.

OPTIMISM UNJUSTIFIED

Rome, Dec. 5.
Italy can see no reason for optimism regarding the peace talks in European capitals. According to authoritative sources, it is the opinion of the Government that no new features have become apparent to justify this optimism.

The same circles deny any negotiations in this connection, and the work of the British and French experts who are seeking a peace formula is believed to be of a purely technical nature.—Reuter.

HOARE'S PEACE QUEST

DETERMINED TO END WAR

SOLIDARITY AT GENEVA

London, Dec. 5.

Dealing with the position in relation to Ethiopia, during the Foreign Affairs debate in the House of Commons to-day, Sir Samuel Hoare, the Foreign Secretary, said that the League's sanctions were working well and that the situation was being constantly watched so that if gaps were found every effort would be made to strengthen the common front.

He said the League had already agreed in principle to an oil embargo, and the question still to be decided was whether action by non-members of the League would render the League's embargo ineffective.

He emphasized that no one Government was any more responsible than others for the collective decision, or indeed for any of the sanctions proposals.

Having refused the charge that British oil companies had exploited the situation, Sir Samuel said delay of the meeting of the Committee of Eighteen was unavoidable. It was necessary that France should be adequately represented there. Delay meant no weakening of the members' attitude, but it did give them an opportunity for further intensive efforts to find a peaceful settlement.

MAY BE HOPELESS TASK

"It may be that we are engaged in a hopeless task, and that it is impossible to reconcile the divergent aims of Italy, Ethiopia and the League. Nevertheless, France and ourselves intend to continue not only trying, but redoubling our efforts in the short period still open before the Geneva meeting."

"I am determined to make another great effort. We have no wish to humiliate or weaken Italy. Indeed we are anxious to see a strong Italy."

"I appeal once more to Signor Mussolini and his fellow-countrymen to dismiss entirely the suspicion that we have a sinister motive. We have none. We have no wish to drive a wedge between Italy and France; no wish to weaken Signor Mussolini's position, or to destroy the Fascist position.—United Press.

(Continued on Page 12.)

WILL REJECT OFFER

Rome, Dec. 5.
Diplomats here have expressed the belief that Signor Mussolini will reject the Anglo-French peace proposals because they do not satisfy Italy's minimum territorial requirements.

However, Signor Mussolini is reported to be disposed to compromise, on account of which a brusque rejection is not expected, the best informed circles anticipating that he will encourage a more generous offer as he apparently no longer fears the sanctions.—United Press.

HOPE FOR ACTION

London, Dec. 5.
Hope that the Government would be able to persuade the League of Nations members to apply quickly the embargo on oil against Italy, was expressed by Sir Samuel Hoare during the Foreign Affairs debate in the House of Commons to-day.

He said that except for the United States, there was no country with which he had less desire for a quarrel than Italy. It was regrettable, he added, that this development in Italian policy should have estranged two peoples who had never had a serious quarrel before; but it was not merciful to let the trouble linger on.

Sir Samuel referred to the possibility of Ethiopia reducing the terms of a settlement which the League might approve, and urged that Ethiopia should be informed that Great Britain could not continue bringing pressure to bear on Italy indefinitely, but only until the League agreed that a satisfactory solution had been reached.—Reuter Special.

PEACE PROPOSALS

Paris, Dec. 5.
It is understood that the British Government has submitted, through Mr. Maurice Peterson, a Foreign Office expert, for the approval of the French Government, new peace proposals.

Three factors have hitherto prevented the proposals making much progress: 1. M. Pierre Laval's uncertain position; 2. the attitude of Italy; and 3. the disappointment in Paris following the withdrawal of contingents of the Fleet from Gibraltar was not a friendly gesture to Italy but merely a routine movement, without political significance.

It is believed the French delay in replying to the British proposals is due to the fact that M. Laval feels they would not be acceptable to Signor Mussolini for the moment, and he is hoping that some modification in favour of Italy may follow Sir Samuel Hoare's visit to Paris.

It is learned in authoritative quarters that the British proposals suggest territorial agreements between Italy and Ethiopia which go no further than previous suggestions, but which are on a somewhat different basis and are therefore deemed more acceptable to Italy.—Reuter.

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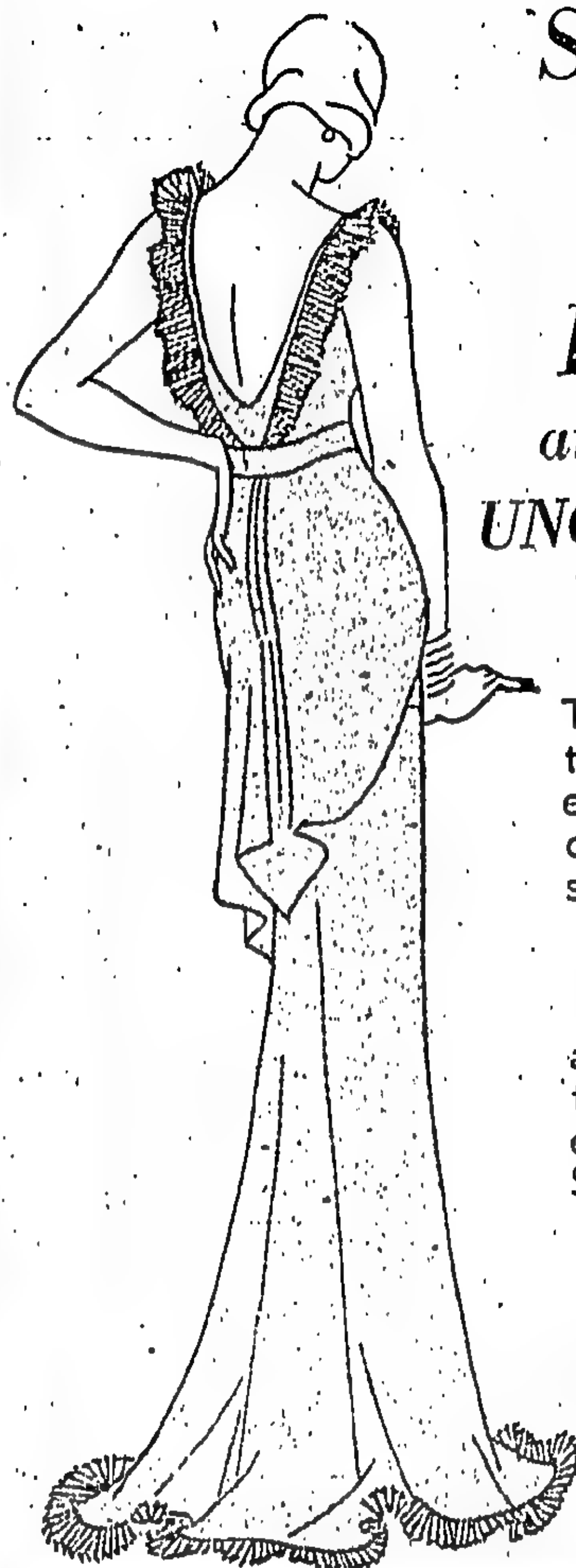
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The name board of Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwl-Llantysilio-gogoch Station on the Isle of Anglesey, which is the longest in Wales, containing fifty-eight letters, is removed every November and stored safely until the following spring. The station is called Llanfair P.G. for short, and so it remains throughout the winter, but when the board is returned in the spring passengers amuse themselves by trying to pronounce it in full before the train leaves.

London Man Returns From

AIRMAN ARRIVES AFTER FIVE DAYS' SILENCE

LOST IN WILDS

Port Moresby (New Guinea),
Dec. 1.

AFTER disappearing in the
wilder of New Guinea for
the second time in less than
four months, Flight-Lieuten-
ant Stuart Campbell, an Aus-
tralian airman, arrived safely
at Fly River Camp to-day.

He had been delayed by a forced
landing to make adjustments to his
machine, a Short Seiza double-
engine 180 h.p. seaplane.

Meanwhile, Papuan Government
vessels were searching the coast
and swamps in the region where
he disappeared last Tuesday.

He left here to return to the Fly
River Survey Camp, and landed at
Kerema, 140 miles further up the
coast. Later in the day he left
for Kikori, some 110 miles further
westward round the Gulf of Papua.

But he did not reach Kikori, and
some fear was felt for his safety
owing to the number of water-
ways over which he would have
to fly.—*Reuter.*

SECOND DISAPPEARANCE
Jungle and swamps of the wild
Fly River district were searched
intensively for Flight-Lieutenant
Campbell at the end of last July,
when he was missing for four days
between Daru and a depot 600
miles further up the river.

Famous Names for Cruisers

Gloucester, Liverpool and
Manchester will be the names
of three new cruisers to be
built under the 1935 Navy
estimates.

Both the Liverpool and
Gloucester distinguished them-
selves in the war.

The Gloucester hung dog-
gedly on to the tail of the
Goeben and Breslau in the
Mediterranean in 1914 before
they escaped into the Dar-
danelles. Her captain on that
occasion is now Admiral Sir
Howard Kelly.

The Liverpool will be built by
the Fairfield Shipbuilding and
Engineering Co., Ltd., the Man-
chester by R. and W. Hawthorn
Leslie and Co., Ltd., and the
Gloucester at Devonport Yard.

Among other contracts are the
submarine Sterlet for Chatham
Yard and two minesweepers for
Devonport Yard.

Of the smaller vessels to be
built four will have bird names—
the Bittern, Sheldrake and Kittiwake (sloops) and the Plover
(minelayer).

U.S. 'Devil's Island': Free After 13 Years

Plymouth, Dec. 1.

A shy, tired-looking little man stood by the rails of the
liner President Roosevelt as it approached Land's End
from the Atlantic and smiled with relief.

"Gee. It's good to be back in England a free man
after all these years," he said.

He was Harry Johnson, once
a famous ice-hockey player, a
Londoner from the East End,
now a deportee from America.

In his pocket was a pardon
from President Roosevelt for
the alleged murder of two wo-
men in Alaska, for which he
received a life sentence.

He has served thirteen years
in all, first in Leavenworth
prison, Kansas, and later in the
rockbound escape-proof fortress
of Alcatraz off San Francisco.

Twenty-two years ago he left
the East End of London a boy
of sixteen, and emigrated to
Canada. Two years later he
was in the trenches with the
Canadians, and at eighteen he
was a machine-gun instructor.

"I had four years over there,"
he said, "and got five medals, in-
cluding the Mons Star."

"WITHOUT A DIME"

"I went back to Canada with
two thousand dollars and a wound
pension. I am landing in England
to-night without a dime. Not even
my street-car fare, and I won't take
a penny."

"I'm going to start work. They
turned me out of Alcatraz with a
suit, a shirt, a handkerchief, and a
pair of boots, but no underclothes
and no overcoat. An emigration
officer in New York gave me a pair
of socks."

"That prison is the world's worst.
They drive men mad there. Fortu-
nately they didn't get me."

"After a turn in the cells, in
solitary isolation they put me
in the kitchen."

"That's where I lost my finger." He
showed his right hand, the
"trigger" finger of which is mis-
sing.

"CHICKEN FOR CAPONE"

"One of my jobs was to wait on
Al Capone. We were good friends.
He's one of the finest fellows I ever
met."

"I used to smuggle pieces of
chicken for him from the kitchen."
"For that I got put in the 'hole,'
which is an underground dungeon
where they used to torture Spanish
prisoners long ago."

"Then they put the third degree
over me because they knew I had
found out some secrets of the prison.
I knew how staff was smuggled in
and out, how spirits were actually
made and drunk in the prison."

"I thought I would have been
released from Leavenworth.
My sister came over from Lon-
don in order to do it, but al-
though she spent a lot of
money she was unsuccessful.
I got the President's pardon
three weeks ago."

"When I left I was asked
not to tell what I knew about
the prison, and I promised I
wouldn't until I got over this
side."

"What my future is I don't know,
but I have paid my debt to society.
I tripped up when I went to Alaska
with five other fellows trying to
start an ice rink."

"While there I went on a hunt-
ing trip with a guy. We got mixed
up with a couple of dope women."

"But now I can forget it all; I'm
a free man."

There was a touching scene when
Johnson was reunited with his two
sisters on the deck of the liner.
They had not met for eighteen
years.

"Drake Millions Mystery": U.S.A. Trial

DET-INSPECTOR BISHOP,
of Scotland Yard, is on his
way to America to give evi-
dence in a case which has be-
come known on two continents
as the "Drake Millions Mys-
tery."

The investigation of this case
involves the millions left or re-
puted to have been left by Sir
Francis Drake.

The investigation began when a
man named "Baron" Oscar M.
Hartzell, who claimed a fortune
of \$70,000,000, was deported from
England in February 1933.

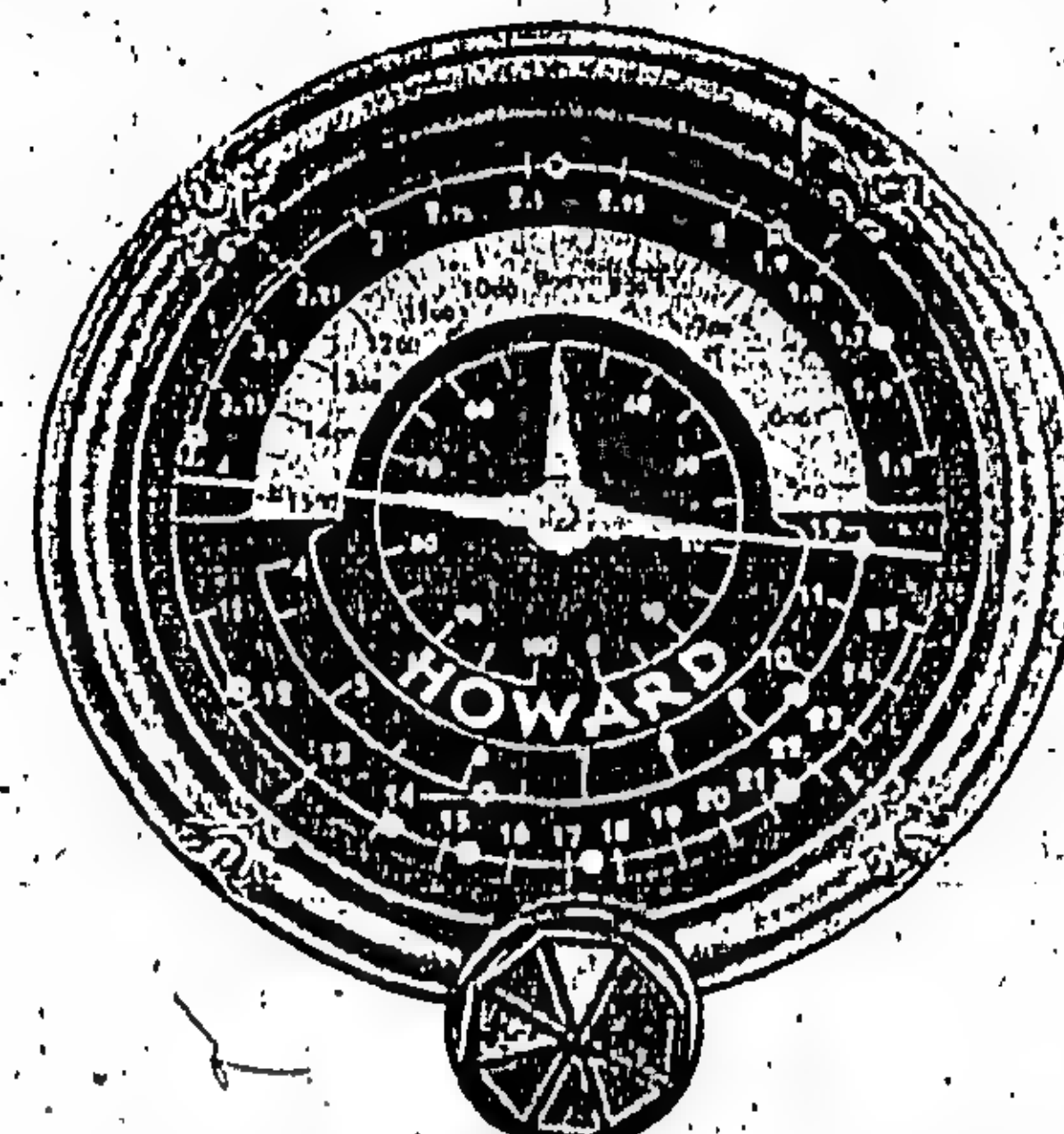
Hartzell is alleged to have
collected large sums of money
from people in America, England
and France who subscribed to
funds to enable him to claim the
estate.

When Hartzell was deported he
was arrested in New York, and
later sentenced to ten years' im-
prisonment for using U.S.A. mails
in order to defraud thousands of
Middle West farmers.

He appealed, and was allowed
bail of \$25,000. While he was
on bail 21 men, who were alleged
to be his agents, were arrested on
charges of continuing to accept
money in connection with the
claim. Hartzell was also charged
with complicity.

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trial at Ohio, and Detective-
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there of Hartzell's activities in
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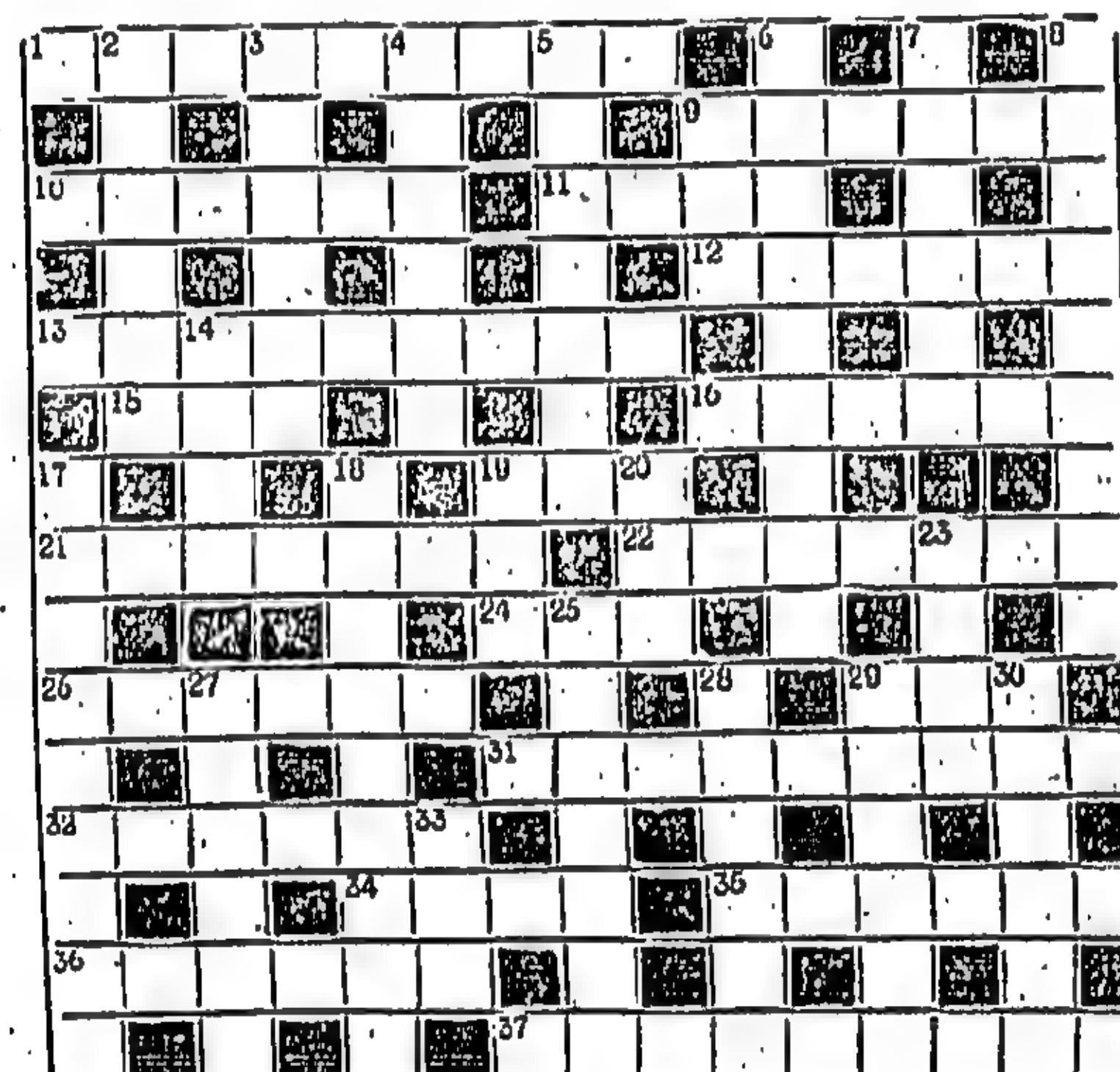
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ACROSS

- 1 All resign when this soldier changes.
- 2 Be this is thrash.
- 3 Hardly the home of reason.
- 4 If this animal had swallowed nothing before a cat, the situation would have been evident.
- 5 Norwegian town.
- 6 Mournful and there isn't a couple of brace inside.
- 7 If a tenor's scale is on the down-ward run, how many notes does this include?
- 8 Poetically numerous.
- 9 Insect.
- 10 Set going with a note between Florence and Edward.
- 11 Aperture.
- 12 In his Book appears "Great is truth, and mighty above all things."
- 13 Bitter, please.
- 14 European capital.
- 15 Give secret information about a quadruped for a game (hyphen 3 and 5).
- 16 The scene of the first gate-crashing on record?
- 17 A Norwegian means of progress in a run for a great art-expert.
- 18 Top.
- 19 A fixed idea.

DOWN

- 2 As a clue it is right, but is left when changed.
- 3 A feminine name.
- 4 Bounds.
- 5 Buck up.
- 6 There's a glass top to this complimentary speech.

- 7 Jungle book character.
- 8 Re-reading (anag.).
- 9 Toss slowly.
- 10 Plane prefix.
- 11 Scolding in a sense.
- 12 Start game in different style to get trick.
- 13 Attached to a general.
- 14 Plaything.
- 15 In a doctor, it would be made to go wrong.
- 16 In more than one sense, the point is in the root here.
- 17 Object of care in custody.
- 18 Siesta (anag.).
- 19 An inhabitant of the Far North makes a Scottish river confess it is nothing at all.
- 20 Imposition?

Yesterday's Solution

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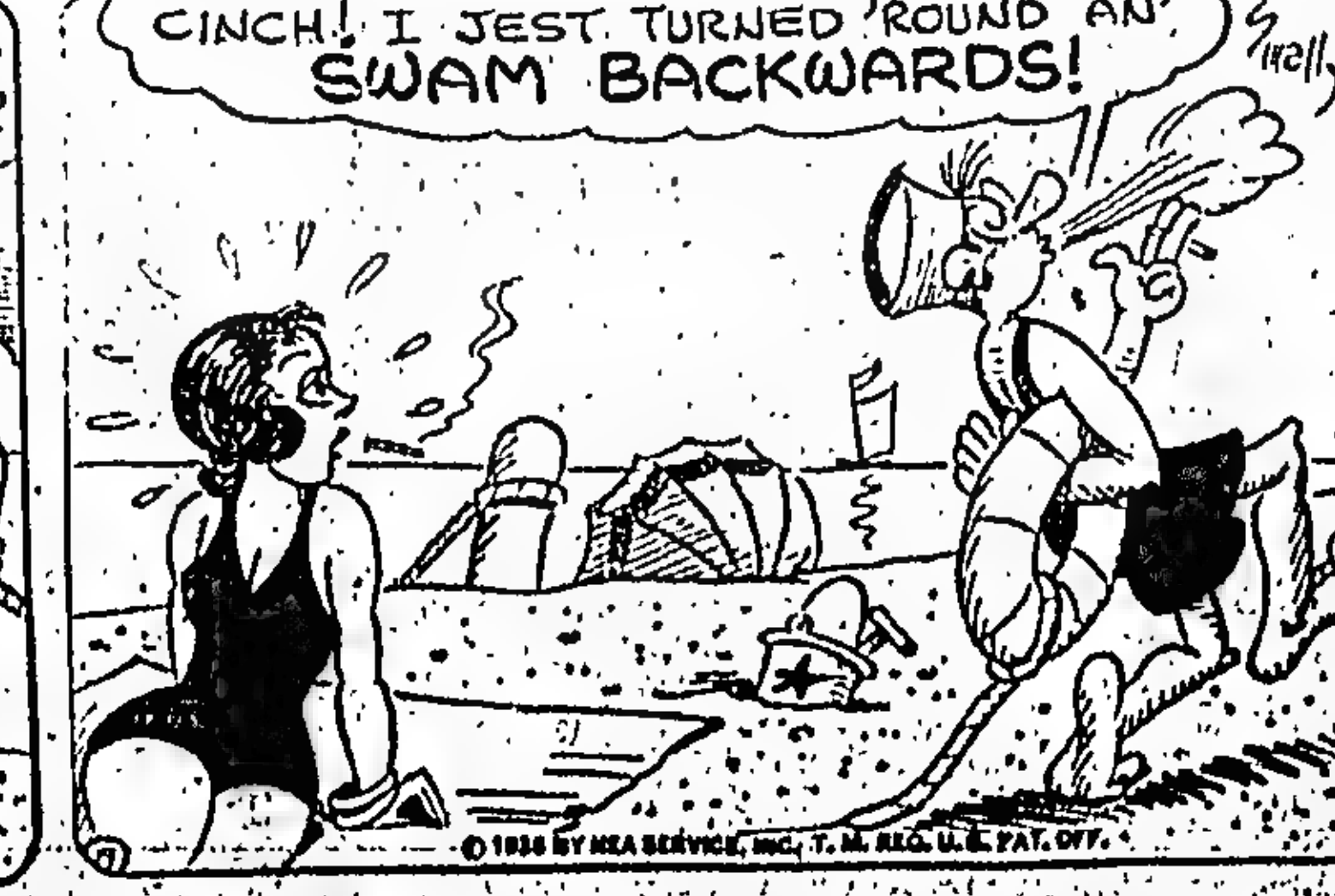
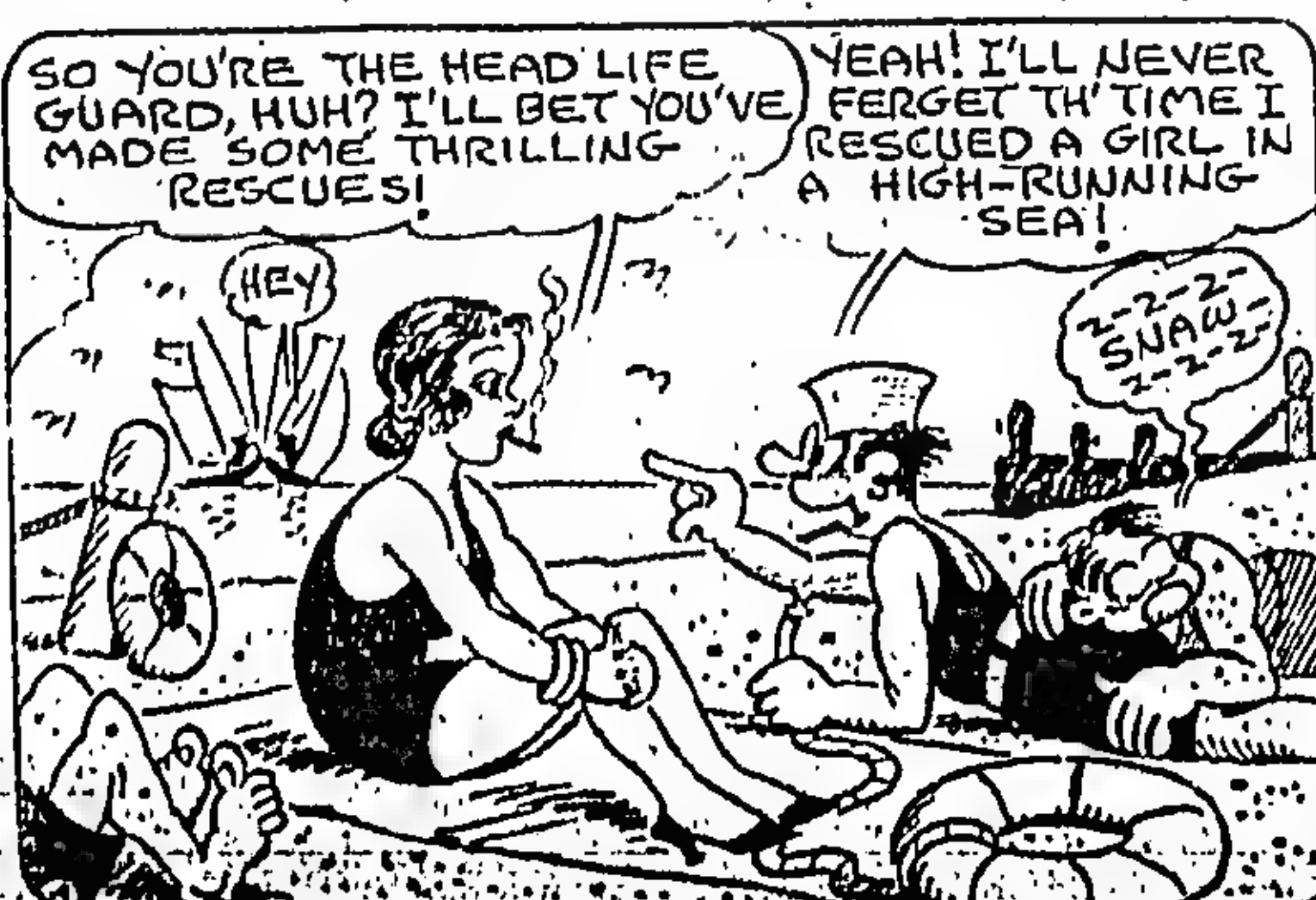
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JOY FOR
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MAKERS

Eleanor Powell, the Hollywood screen star, wore out 25 pairs of ballet slippers in her last dance in the ballet number in the new musical film "Broadway Melody of 1936". Her fast toe-whirls cause the slippers to wear through after two dance try-outs.

SCIENCE MAKES A DEAL WITH THE SOVIET

APPARATUS FOR MAN WHO WENT BACK

Cambridge, Dec. 1. Dr. Peter Kapitza, the famous Russian-scientist, has offered to purchase the special apparatus on which he was working at Cambridge before he was recalled home by the Soviet.

His offer has been accepted. Not only will the apparatus be sent to him, but two Cambridge assistants will be loaned to him for three years.

Dr. Kapitza's researches were on the production of intense magnetic fields and the splitting of the atom.

Before the Soviet claimed his services a few months ago, Dr. Kapitza had been engaged for several years at Cambridge, and the Royal Society Mond Laboratory was built specially for him two years ago at a cost of £15,000.

The apparatus from the laboratory will be re-erected in another laboratory which is now being built for him by the Soviet Government.

LORD RUTHERFORD'S PART
These facts are contained in the report of the Royal Society Mond Laboratory, just issued. It states that Dr. Adrian and Professor Dirac interviewed Dr. Kapitza in Russia, and the offer to purchase was afterwards sent to Lord Rutherford.

The more important pieces of apparatus consist of a large generator for producing an intense magnetic field and plants for making liquid helium and liquid hydrogen.

His experiments with liquid helium were carried out at a temperature of 482 degrees Fahrenheit of frost, or only three or four degrees above absolute zero.

NEWER APPARATUS
The report adds that Lord Rutherford would feel under a strong obligation not to take up the experiments if Dr. Kapitza wished to resume work at once.

"The situation has also changed since the installation of the generator," it is added. "Methods have recently been developed for the production of temperatures within one-thousandth of a degree of large electro magnets."

"This field of work is of much fundamental importance and of

Honeymoon Flyers Injured in Road Crash

Sydney, Dec. 1. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Berry Littlejohn, the "honeymoon flyers," who flew from Southampton to Sydney after being married in England, were to-day involved in a head-on car crash at Goulburn (N.S.W.). Mr. Littlejohn had lacerations, bruises and shock, while his wife is suffering from shock. Altogether eight persons were admitted to hospital as a result of the crash. None of them is seriously injured.—*Reuter*. Mr. and Mrs. Littlejohn landed in Australia on October 30, having taken 30 days over their honeymoon air trip.

JAPANESE FLEET ALMOST AT TREATY RATIO

BRITAIN AND AMERICA ARE AT DISADVANTAGE

LONDON NAVAL CONFERENCE SET FOR NEXT MONDAY

Washington, Dec. 4.

Japan approaches the London naval conference in London next Monday with her navy nearest treaty strength of any of the five powers that signed the Washington treaty of 1922, latest figures reveal.

Limited to a naval ratio of three-fifths that of the United States and Great Britain, the Far Eastern Empire has built or has appropriated funds for all but 2,078 tons of the total tonnage permitted, according to Navy department figures.

Great Britain, however, is 90,697 tons short of treaty strength and the United States still is permitted to build 71,135 tons of fighting vessels before December 31, 1936—expiration date of the treaty—but only in the destroyer and submarine categories. All three nations are at full strength in capital ships.

The history of naval arms limitation dates from the Washington conference of 1921-22. The resulting treaty was designed ultimately to substitute definite quotas and a stable balance of naval power for independent naval building. The five signatory nations were the United States, Great Britain, Japan, France and Italy. They agreed to limit their navies in the following ratio: 5-5-3 1.67-1.67.

The London naval conference of 1930, held to arrest a developing race in cruiser construction not limited by the Washington treaty, saw France and Italy refuse to agree to limitation of auxiliaries. The other three powers, however, extended their 5-5-3 ratio to the smaller categories.

This was the relative position of the leading naval powers shortly before the Washington conference, according to the 1920 reports of the Secretary of the Navy.

Great Britain... 2,829,861 tons;
United States... 2,667,478 tons;
Japan... 980,423 tons;
France... 799,873 tons;
Italy... 434,727 tons.

Besides arresting the impending naval armaments race which threatened after the war, the Washington treaty had this effect: It gave each of the three leading powers supremacy in its own sphere of influence. In addition, Japan's naval supremacy

was confirmed by the fact that the United States relinquished building of a fleet which constituted a threat, and the three chief powers agreed not to increase fortifications of the Pacific.

Loft Door Open

But because the Washington treaty failed to limit cruisers, destroyers and submarines it left the door open to a naval race in these categories. Such a race began in 1923. Four years later President Coolidge sought to arrest this race by inviting the five naval powers to a Geneva conference. France and Italy declined, and an irreconcilable difference between the United States and Great Britain over 10,000 ton cruisers led to collapse of the conference.

The race in auxiliary craft continued. It was finally curbed, however, in the London Conference of 1930. The comparative strength of the three powers at the time of that conference was as follows:

Great Britain... 2,829,861 tons;
United States... 2,667,478 tons;
Japan... 980,423 tons;
France... 799,873 tons;
Italy... 434,727 tons.

The London conference resulted in the following agreements:

1. Extension of the capital ship holiday among the five powers under which it was agreed not to lay down battleships authorized for replacement before Dec. 31, 1936.

2. Limitation of naval strength which the United States, Great Britain and Japan agreed would not be exceeded on Dec. 31, 1936.

3. Regulatory pacts covering replacement of "over age" vessels. It was at this conference that Japan sought to increase her relative strength above the 5-5-3 ratio. Her delegation sought a 10-10-7 ratio, but was firmly opposed by the United States. The result was a compromise in which the former general ratio was maintained but Japan was granted increases in certain categories.

Demand For Parity
Last year at London, Japan demanded parity with the United States and Great Britain. The United States firmly opposed any concessions beyond existing ratios and the conference broke up with a denunciation by Japan of the Washington and London treaties which will cause them to expire Dec. 31, 1936 unless a new agreement is worked out at the new conference.

In view of the threatening world situation, experts say the new gathering is foredoomed to failure. The five leading powers approach the coming conference with the following relative strength:

Great Britain... 2,829,861 tons;
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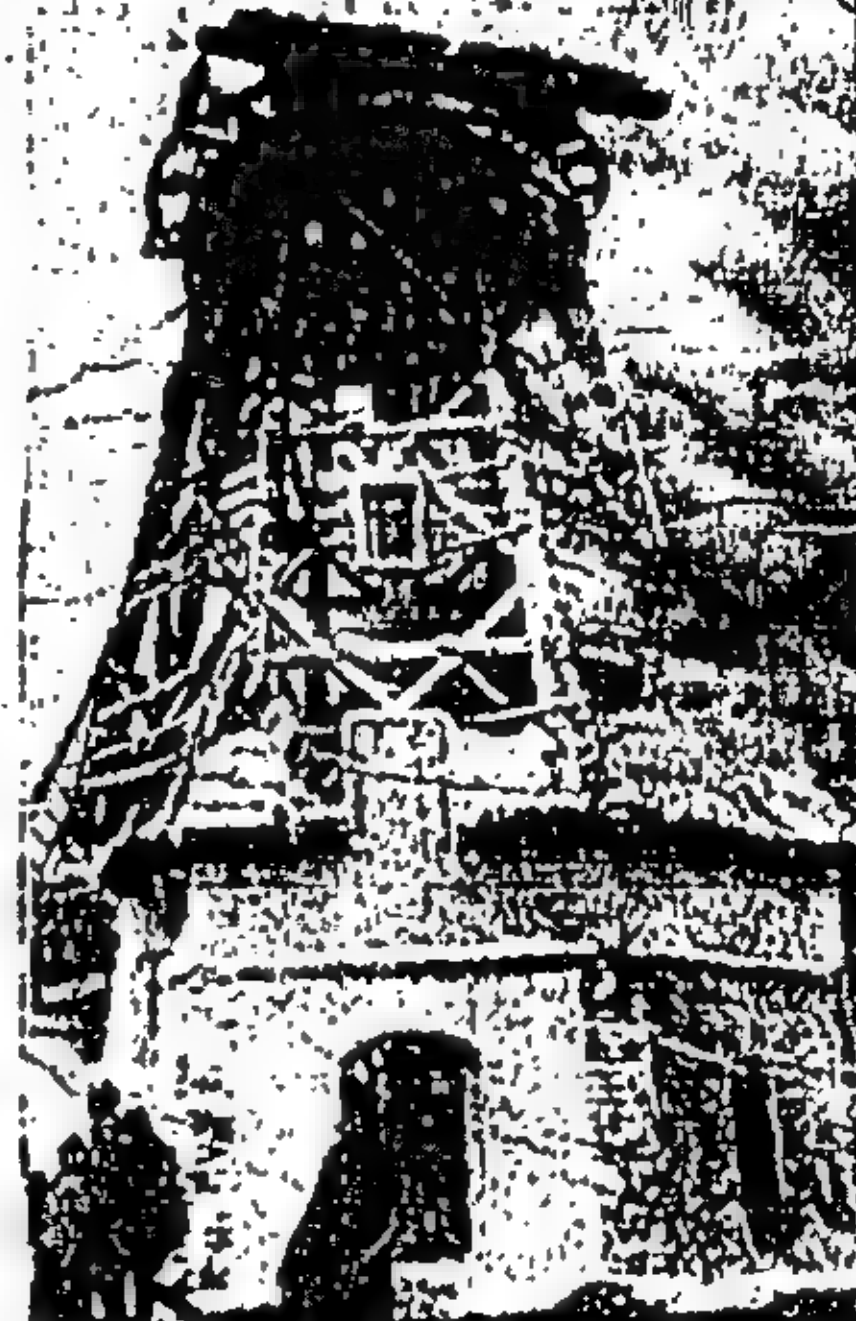
Gave A Party Nearly Every Day For 40 Years

A man who had given a party practically every day of his life since he was twenty-one died in London last month, aged sixty. He called himself, variously, Lord Stone, Mr. Justice Stone, Count von Stone, Jack Stonybroke.

His real name was Charles Stone. He lived in Lowndes-street, S.W. for more than twenty-five years; he was a leading member of the Eccentric Club.

At different times he furnished his house as a police court, circus, zoo, hospital, film studio, and theatre. You could hardly walk down Lowndes-street without finding "Charlie" Stone "throwing a party."

He sent dummy summonses to his guests. He had them "arrested."

ENDS
FIRE
FEARS

A new kind of foam for fire-extinguishing has been effectively demonstrated in Germany. The picture shows workers in action on an old mill which was set afire for the demonstration.

QUEEN MARY WILL SET OUT JUNE 17

MAIDEN VOYAGE

Glasgow, Dec. 1. WITH her maiden voyage set definitely for May 27, the Queen Mary has reached the crucial point in her preparations when her four sets of engines will be tested.

Carefully evolved after years of investigation into speed, power combined with lack of vibration, these engines must drive four 35-ton propellers by gear wheels each of which is 34 feet in diameter.

Besides these vast engines, there are turbo-generators which, it is estimated, would supply electric current sufficient for a city of 300,000 population. All of these engines and machines must be carefully broken in before the Queen Mary can even make a trial run.

Painting operations have just begun on the surface of 60 acres which constitute the exterior and interior of the great ship. More than 70,000 gallons of paint will be required to complete this job which will leave a black hull, a white upper deck, and funnels of red with black tops and three black bands.

The 3,000 workmen actually working aboard the ship are only a portion of the thousands all over Britain striving at the production of internal fittings.

Estimates of articles being manufactured reveal:

13 miles of fabric;
6 miles of carpets and rugs;
10,000 pieces of cutlery and tableware;
200,000 pieces of earthenware china and glass;
Miles of telephone wire; and
Hundreds of thousands of pieces of linen.

At the moment 2,500 sq. ft. of glass are being inserted in various parts of the Queen Mary in an effort to provide a maximum of daylight for the passengers.

Although most of the lounges and salons are still in the hands of the artisans, they are gradually becoming recognizable as artistic designs in woodwork and mosaics are nearing completion. Company officials revealed that 50 varieties of wood from all over the world were sought out to decorate the principal saloons and public rooms.

As her bulk looms gigantic in the opaque mist which shrouds Clydebank at this season, the Queen Mary is looked to with unstinted admiration by thousands of Britons who eagerly await the day when she will wrest the transatlantic laurels from the French Line.

At present it is believed that any record-breaking attempt will be left for the second voyage from Southampton to New York which is scheduled to begin on June 17.

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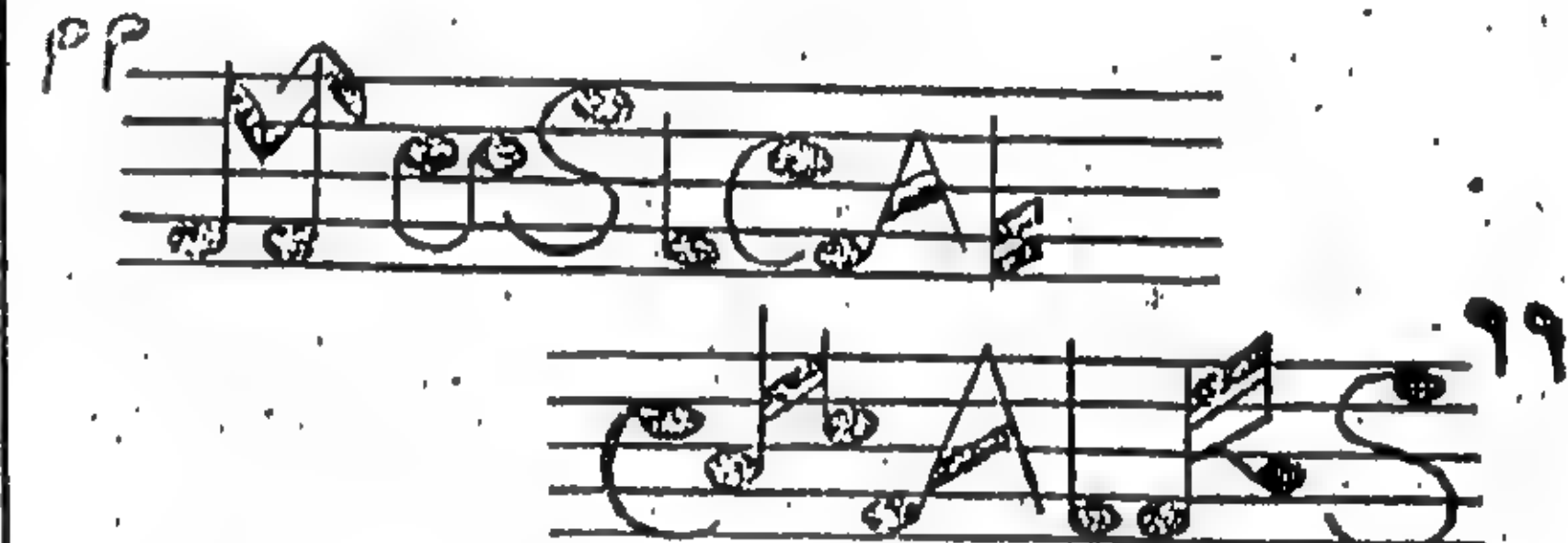
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House Painter May Become Governor

QUEENSLAND'S WISH

Brisbane, Dec. 1. **MR. WILLIAM FORGAN SMITH**, Labour Premier of Queensland, informed Parliament to-day that, during his forthcoming visit to London, he intended to urge the Dominion Office to relax its opposition to the appointment of Australian citizens as governors of Australian States.

It is believed that if his representations are successful his colleagues will urge Mr. Smith to allow his name to be submitted to the present Governor of Queensland, Lieut.-Colonel Sir Leslie Orme Wilson, whose term of office expires next year.

Mr. Smith is a Scottish-born house painter.

WANTED—A MAN WITHOUT FEAR

TO CANOE TO AUSTRALIA

Southampton, Dec. 1. Colin Sullivan, British champion canoeist, is at Southampton preparing for a canoe trip to Australia. He wants a partner who does not know what fear means.

The Geographical Society is interested in the exploit, and has mapped out a coastwise route for Mr. Sullivan which will cut down the longest open sea voyage to seventy-five miles.

The only overland portion of his journey will be from Smyrna to the River Tigris, in Turkey.

His route also involves canoeing through the Persian Gulf, and round the coast of India to Singapore; thence to Australia.

CAT AND DOG LIFE

THE FORMER NOW HAS A PUPPY

Two families recently arrived at Richmond, a Melbourne suburb. A spaniel had seven puppies and a cat three kittens.

The spaniel for some reason, took an intense dislike to one puppy and even tried to bury it alive, several times.

Then the sympathetic cat stepped in, took the puppy and in rearing it with her kittens. It is showing a wealth of gratitude, says *Austral News*.

Later its real mother is showing remorse. She persists in trying to get to it to fondle her son. But the cat will have none of it. Any intrusion is greeted with such feline ferocity that the spaniel goes off, tail well down.

GLAMOROUS



Grace Moore, the charming American star and singer who became world-famous (owing to her beautiful voice, is seen above in her third film now in production at the Columbia studios.

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SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

H.K. Banks, \$1330/1350 ea.	Bank of China, \$1330/1350 ea.
H. K. Banks (Lon. Reg.), 291 n.	Chartered Bank, \$13 n.
Chartered Bank, \$13 n.	Mercantile Bank, A. and B. 228 1/2 n.
Mercantile Bank, \$13 n.	East Asia Bank, \$70 b. and sa.
East Asia Bank, \$70 b. and sa.	Insurance.
Canton Ins., \$260 sa.	Union Ins., \$550 b.
China Underwriters, \$1.10 n.	China Fire, \$480 n.
China Fire, \$480 n.	H.K. Fire Ins., \$210 b.
Internat'l Ance, Sh. \$4 n.	Shipping.
Douglas, \$36 n.	H.K. Steamboats, \$4 n.
H.K. Steamboats, \$4 n.	Indo-China, (Pref.), \$30 n.
Indo-China, (Pref.), \$30 n.	Indo-China, (Def.), \$11 n.
Indo-China, (Def.), \$11 n.	Shell (Bearer), 81/3 n.
Shell (Bearer), 81/3 n.	Union Waterworks, \$12 b.
Union Waterworks, \$12 b.	Mining.
Antamoks, \$1.17 b.	Balatoas, \$17 1/2 n.
Balatoas, \$17 1/2 n.	Baguio Gold, 22 cts. n.
Baguio Gold, 22 cts. n.	Benguet Consolidated, \$14 b.
Benguet Consolidated, \$14 b.	Benguet Exp., 11 cts. n.
Benguet Exp., 11 cts. n.	Big Wedge, 8 cts. n.
Big Wedge, 8 cts. n.	Gold Creek, 30 cts. n.
Gold Creek, 30 cts. n.	Gold River, 7 cts. n.
Gold River, 7 cts. n.	Ipo Mining, 90 cts. n.
Ipo Mining, 90 cts. n.	Iogons, 36 1/2 cts. n.
Iogons, 36 1/2 cts. n.	Salcoot, 15 cts. n.
Salcoot, 15 cts. n.	Kulnan, 1/6 n.
Kulnan, 1/6 n.	Lampaka (Single), \$13 n.
Lampaka (Single), \$13 n.	Shai Explorations, Sh. \$4 1/2 n.
Shai Explorations, Sh. \$4 1/2 n.	Shai Lons, Sh. \$5 1/2 n.
Shai Lons, Sh. \$5 1/2 n.	Laubs, \$9.35 b.
Laubs, \$9.35 b.	Venz: Goldfield \$2.30 n.
Venz: Goldfield \$2.30 n.	Docks etc.
Docks etc.	H.K. Wharves (old), \$90 b.
H.K. Wharves (old), \$90 b.	H.K. Wharves (new), \$87 n.
H.K. Wharves (new), \$87 n.	H.K. & W. Docks \$9 n.
H.K. & W. Docks \$9 n.	Providents (old), \$1.10 n.
Providents (old), \$1.10 n.	Providents (new), 20 cts. n.
Providents (new), 20 cts. n.	Hongkows (old), Sh. \$27 1/2 n.
Hongkows (old), Sh. \$27 1/2 n.	New Engineering, \$4 n.
New Engineering, \$4 n.	Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$80 n.
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$80 n.	Cottons Mills.
Cottons Mills.	Ewo Cotton's Sh. \$10 n.
Ewo Cotton's Sh. \$10 n.	Shai Cottons (old), Sh. \$75 n.
Shai Cottons (old), Sh. \$75 n.	Shai Cottons (new), Sh. \$43 n.
Shai Cottons (new), Sh. \$43 n.	Zoong Sings, \$12 n.
Zoong Sings, \$12 n.	Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$25 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$25 n.	Lands, Hotels, etc.
Lands, Hotels, etc.	H. and S. Hotels, \$5 b. and sa.
H. and S. Hotels, \$5 b. and sa.	H.K. Lands, \$35 1/2 b.
H.K. Lands, \$35 1/2 b.	H.K. Lands, 4% Deben.
H.K. Lands, 4% Deben.	\$100 n.
\$100 n.	Shai Lands, Sh. \$20 n.
Shai Lands, Sh. \$20 n.	Metropolitan Lands, Sh. \$10 n.
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. \$10 n.	Humphries, \$9.75 b.
Humphries, \$9.75 b.	H.K. Realities \$5.80 n.
H.K. Realities \$5.80 n.	Chinese Estates, \$86 n.
Chinese Estates, \$86 n.	China Realities, Sh. \$4 n.
China Realities, Sh. \$4 n.	China Debutants, Sh. \$35 n.
China Debutants, Sh. \$35 n.	Public Utilities.
Public Utilities.	H.K. Tramways, \$14 1/2 sa.
H.K. Tramways, \$14 1/2 sa.	Peak Trams, (old), \$5 n.
Peak Trams, (old), \$5 n.	Peak Trams, (new), \$4 n.
Peak Trams, (new), \$4 n.	Star Ferries, \$88 n.
Star Ferries, \$88 n.	Yaumati Ferries, (old) \$17 n.
Yaumati Ferries, (old) \$17 n.	China Lights, \$10.60 b.
China Lights, \$10.60 b.	H.K. Electric, \$65 1/2 b.
H.K. Electric, \$65 1/2 b.	Macao Electric, \$20 n.
Macao Electric, \$20 n.	Sandakan Lights, \$2.10 n.
Sandakan Lights, \$2.10 n.	Telephone (old), \$23 1/2 b.
Telephone (old), \$23 1/2 b.	Telephone (new), \$89 1/2 b.
Telephone (new), \$89 1/2 b.	China Buses, Sh. \$11 1/2 n.
China Buses, Sh. \$11 1/2 n.	Singapore Trams, 13/- n.
Singapore Trams, 13/- n.	Singapore Pref. 25/- n.
Singapore Pref. 25/- n.	Industrials.
Industrials.	Malabon Sugars, \$8.40 n.
Malabon Sugars, \$8.40 n.	Cald: Macg. (old), Sh. \$10 1/2 n.
Cald: Macg. (old), Sh. \$10 1/2 n.	Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$13 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$13 n.	Canton Ice, \$1.60 b.
Canton Ice, \$1.60 b.	Cement, \$6 b.
Cement, \$6 b.	H.K. Ropes, \$4.65 b.
H.K. Ropes, \$4.65 b.	Stores, &c.
Stores, &c.	Dairy Farm, \$17 1/2 b.
Dairy Farm, \$17 1/2 b.	Watson, \$4 1/2 n.
Watson, \$4 1/2 n.	Lane Crawfords, \$10 n.
Lane Crawfords, \$10 n.	Mackintoshes, \$5 n.
Mackintoshes, \$5 n.	Sinceres, \$1.80 n.
Sinceres, \$1.80 n.	Wm. Powells, 70 cts. n.
Wm. Powells, 70 cts. n.	Wing On (H.K.), \$40 n.
Wing On (H.K.), \$40 n.	Miscellaneous.
Miscellaneous.	H.K. Entertainments, \$3.40 n.
H.K. Entertainments, \$3.40 n.	S. C. Enterprise \$1.85 n.
S. C. Enterprise \$1.85 n.	Macao "Greyhounds", \$2 n.
Macao "Greyhounds", \$2 n.	Constructions (old), \$2 1/2 n.
Constructions (old), \$2 1/2 n.	Constructions (new), 60 cts. n.
Constructions (new), 60 cts. n.	Vibro Piling, \$4 n.
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R. OHL, Agent.
Hongkong, 30th November, 1935.

Cricket Notes By R. Abbit

(Continued from Page 8.)

Youngs, A. B. Hamson, C. W. Lam and A. T. Lee, while P. R. Zim mern, F. K. Lee and W. Leonard will also be available. It is good to hear that several new youngsters have joined the Club, of whom the best is probably W. Rapley, who used to represent the Diocesan Boys' School. He is a useful bat and a good medium-paced bowler, and if he concentrates on length and spin, and does not try to bowl too fast he should prove very useful to the Club.

It is, however, very unfortunate for Craighover that W. Sparrow will, I am told, be absent from the side—and the loss of G. A. Souza, an excellent all rounder, has elected to play Association football. E. A. Souza too has a job which prevents him playing on Saturday afternoons. But I hear a rumour that T. Yeoh, a former Varsity cricketer, may turn out. Douglas Hunt is a member of the Club, but I am not sure for the moment if he is still up at the University.

LEAGUE DRAWING TIME

Since I attacked the altered times of drawing, I have received a few letters and have told by many people that they entirely agree with me. The curious thing is that I have never met anyone yet who has contended for a minute that the new times are in any way possible on this side of the Harbour. Yet the reason was carried many such a motion was carried at the question of the two League Fixtures inter-club had anything to do with it? The proposal was defeated and possibly those who defeated it did not bother much about anything else.

EMPIRE CRICKET

In view of the brilliant form displayed by the South African side in England last summer, it is interesting to note the progress of the Australian team in South Africa. So far as I am aware, they have heavily defeated Natal—by an innings and twenty-six runs—and The Western Province. It remains to be seen what they will do in the matches which they are to play heavily against the South African, who will, no doubt, be much upset by the loss of their wicket-keeper, poor H. B. Cameron, who died of typhoid the other day. To me it seems extraordinary that the man who survived being hit on the head full by one of Harold Larwood's fastest balls, should succumb to an absurd little germ. But such is the way of the world.

If I am right in my anticipation of heavy defeats for South Africa, the logical course would be to draw a very unfavourable omen for the success of our next Australian team. But it is not so really. The history of South African cricket shows that they are at their worst against Australia. Before now—nearly thirty years ago—they toured Australia with high hopes after an excellent season in England. But they did terribly. It will be interesting to see if the Australian complex remains. The wide-spread capability of Australian cricket is shown by the fact that they have another team touring in India. I am speaking without the book, but I believe it was invited over by an Indian prince—I forget who—and that Tarrant—the old Middlesex cricketer, himself an Australian, acted as negotiating agent. At first the Australian board of control rather refused him facilities as they were afraid the South African team might be depleted, but subsequently all was amicably arranged and a useful team—for which R. K. Oxenford is doing great things with the ball—was enabled to visit India.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. D. THOMSON, Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1935.

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The fund will be closed on December 17th and the total amount offered on the Altar on "Cathedral Sunday", December 22nd.

AMBULANCE LECTURES

Dr. Shin Kwai-sung is to give a course of lectures in First Aid (in Chinese) for men, at the St. John Ambulance Headquarters, the first to be on Tuesday, Dec. 10, at 7.30 p.m. These lectures are free of charge, and are open to the public. They are especially useful for motor drivers, and others engaged in work where accidents are likely to occur. Dr. Shin Kwai-sung will give the second lecture in First Aid (in Chinese), for women only, on Thursday, Dec. 12, at 7.30 p.m. St. John Ambulance Headquarters. The lectures will be followed by others on "Anti-Gas Warfare" (also in Chinese).

CLOUDY WEATHER

A feeble anticyclone extends from the Yangtze Valley to Japan. The typhoon is probably situated about 750 miles east of north Luzon, moving north-westward. Local Forecast: N.E. winds, moderate; cloudy.

Including To-Day

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Shopping Days

To Christmas!



Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy in their funniest picture, "Bonnie Scotland," showing from to-morrow at the King's and Alhambra Theatres.

CINEMA NEWS

NOTES FROM THE THEATRES

Bette Davis was the "Bordertown" girl who murdered her husband because she wanted his partner. She was Mildred of "Of Human Bondage" and made the biggest hit of the season in the role of the girl who did not hesitate to kill a soul. Now she is the starring role in the First National production "The Girl From 10th Avenue," which opened at the Queen's Theatre last night to delighted audiences. Bette has a goody-goody type in this picture. She is not the heartless wanton of "Of Human Bondage," but the sensual female of "Bordertown." In his picture she is a little shop-girl of no particular morals who goes to a cocktail party, and marries the dissolute son of an aristocratic family. But she quits the party game and sticks to her husband, and, despite his drunkenness and his love for a gold-digger who has jilted him, she makes a man of him. The picture while unlike either "Of Human Bondage" or "Bordertown," gives Miss Davis an opportunity for one of the dramatic coming on film she has become noted. It is the best film she stars in alone and she makes the most of it. Ian Hunter, the British screen actor, is her new leading man.

"Bonnie Scotland"

Could you know intimately every extra or bit player who appears in a film you would probably discover far greater dramas than that found in the picture in which these extras play. In "Bonnie Scotland," the latest American Hand feature comedy, Laurel and Hardy feature comedy, Alhambra Theatre, a number of Hindus serve as "atmosphere" in the crowd scenes. Despite the fact that the caste system is still observed in India, and such barriers were happy to find such barriers removed when they came to America. One is the son of a magistrate at Lahore, Punjab, India. His name is Raizada. Devinder Nath Ball, the actor of a prominent family, Young Ball, a graduate of the Indian University at Punjab, holds a bachelor of arts degree from that British school. For a little more than a year, Ball has been in America, part of the time in New York and later in Hollywood. He came to America, sponsored and financed by his father, to study American film production with the idea of returning to India to produce pictures himself. Another native, Anthony Francis, is considered a half-caste in his homeland because he is a Eurasian from the Portuguese possession, Goa, in India. Francis lacks the wealth of higher education and wealth that Ball enjoys, but he is a master of seven languages and has travelled extensively.

"Bright Lights"

Joe E. Brown is coming to town! His latest comedy romance, "Bright Lights," a First National picture, filled with mirth and melody, next attraction at the Queen's Theatre. The production is a hilarious comedy of naturally as part of the action of a theatrical troupe. Scores of beautiful chorus girls appear in tinsel and sparkling numbers staged by Burby Berkeley, who directs the entire production. The picture is said to be the best in which Joe E. Brown has appeared. His antics are reported to bring uproarious laughter, pathos, romance and high drama. Joe himself sings, dances and does acrobatic stunts with the famous tumblers, the Macellons. There are four songs, one sung by Ann Dvorak, one by Patricia Ellis, one by Esther Burke and chorus, all written by Merv Dixon and Allic Wrubel. The fourth song is sung by the funniest-mouthed Joe E. written by Bert Kalmar and Harry Ruby. Joe is supported by Ann Dvorak, Patricia Ellis, William Gargan, Joseph Cawthorn, Henry O'Neill and others.

"Dressed to Thrill"

Mohammed may not have known how to make the mountain come to him, but Hollywood's technicians certainly know how to bring Paris, or even whole sections of France, to the eye of the United States! How expertly and realistically this every day miracle of motion picture production is accomplished, can only be realised by those who view Fox Film's "Dressed to Thrill," now at the King's Theatre. It is the picture which marks the American debut of the capital of France, to the European sensation. Except for one short sequence in London, all the action of the picture takes place in Paris and in a village in Northern France. To accomplish the illusion, an entire French village, including even the old Gothic church, was constructed on the Fox Movietone studios. Paris, in the picture, is represented by the reproduction of a whole section of the

Boulevard des Capucines with its sidewalk cafes. Here the gayest scenes of "Dressed to Thrill" were filmed. Both Producer Robert Kane and Director Harry Lachman are thoroughly familiar with France through personal experience, and were able to furnish many valuable hints. "Dressed to Thrill" is the intriguing story of a woman who wanted to punish a man for forgetting her, but found love sweeter than revenge.

"The Crusades"

To Cecil B. DeMille the most interesting and dramatic thing to film is history. Not all history, of course. DeMille explained, "Some of it is boring, some of it is inexact, and some of it what Henry Ford said it was. But I mean the high lights of real history." He has just finished pondering what he believes to be the most important period of history for his latest production for Paramount, "The Crusades," now at the Star Theatre. A couple thousand books, three truckloads, were available for reading-up on the subject of "The Crusades." DeMille's theory is that history should not be so much combed as experienced. It should be told or pictured so graphically that the viewer will be caught up in it and given emotional impacts, and then he will know how men felt about the Crusades in those times. He will get the full emotional impact of it in an hour and a half, instead of laboriously digging into books for a year and a half and missing the feel of the Crusades entirely, said DeMille. "No historical film will ever take the place of books, which bestow discipline on the mind. But the films can give the essence and feel of the subject. Pictures, though their intent is to entertain, may also become the guide to history. Even the best of historians of the Crusades use pictures to illustrate their text. In the film we shall reverse the process, use spoken text to enhance the pictures."

HONGKONG GOLF CLUB

Latest Competition Results.

The following results in competitions organized by the Royal Hongkong Golf Club have been officially released.

CAPTAIN'S CUP

New Course, Fanling. Miss Crapnell qualified 87-10=88.

BOGEY POOL

Old Course, Fanling. Mrs. Williamson, Mrs. Withington, Mrs. Wren all tied being 2 down.

U. M. MEDAL COMPETITIONS

Nov. 12 Silver Division Mrs. Gilmore 93-15=78.

Bronze " Miss Crapnell 87-19=88.

Nov. 26 Silver " Mrs. Gilmore 92-16=77.

Bronze " Miss Drayson 100-31=69.

DRAW FOR TAGGART CUP

First Round, Mrs. Shannon v. Mrs. Barber. Mrs. Harrow v. Mrs. Walker. (Bye). Mrs. Rodgers v. Miss Stevenson. Miss Crapnell v. Mrs. Mackenzie. Mrs. Gray v. Mrs. Roberts. E. W. Clark Bye. Mrs. M. Clark. Mrs. Shawan. Mrs. Roffey v. Mrs. Jenkinson. Mrs. C. B. Brown v. Mrs. Hillier.

First Round to be played by Dec. 24. Second round to be played by Jan. 13. Third Round to be played by Jan. 28. Semi-Final to be played by Feb. 11. The first named player to be responsible for fixing the match.

A prize presented by Mrs. Gilmore

CHAUFFEUR CASE RESUMED

LADY'S REASON FOR DISMISSAL

A further hearing of the claim of an Indian chauffeur, Mohan Din, against his former employer, Madame Masceboeuf, for \$40 wages was adjourned by Mr. Justice Lindsell, Pulano Judge, in order that evidence of alleged damage to the car might be called by defendant.

Mr. G. S. Ford, of Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist, appeared for the plaintiff, having been instructed the same day, whilst Mr. M. A. da Silva represented the chauffeur.

Madame Masceboeuf repeated in the box to-day that she dismissed Din because he was constantly unpunctual and "blocked" his way when he was driving. She withheld his wages for some time because she thought he was responsible for the car receiving damage which cost over \$70 to repair and she was waiting for her friend, Mr. Pittendrigh, to hand the wages over and deal with him. She denied that she dismissed Din because he had refused to accept a cut to help pay for the damage.

Mr. W. Pittendrigh gave similar evidence, but added that he formed the opinion that if Din had agreed to pay something towards the damage, Madame Masceboeuf would have given him another chance.

The hearing was adjourned in order that expert evidence could be called as to the nature of the damage to the car.

It is to be played for on Tuesday, December 17, for best net score of the Silver and Bronze Divisions.

POST OFFICE.

INWARD MAILS

Japan	Calcutta Maru	December 6.
Japan	Kidderpore	December 6.
Amoy	Takada	December 6.
Shanghai	Ceylon	December 7.
Straits and Europe	London 7th Novem.	
(Papers only) London 7th Novem.	London 23rd Novem.	
Service. London 23rd Novem.	Katori Maru	December 7.
Japan	Lisbon Maru	December 7.
Straits and London Parcela—London		
31st October.	Sarpedon	December 7.
Shanghai and Swallow	Shantung	December 7.
Java and Manila	Tikaran	December 7.
Shanghai	Conto Verde	December 8.
Saigon	New Mathilde	December 8.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 8th Nov.)	Pres. Harrison	December 8.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 16th Nov.)	Pres. Lincoln	December 9.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
	Friday.	
Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Fri., Dec. 6, 4 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Victoria B.C., and Europe via Siberia	Pres. Jackson	Fri., Dec. 6.
(Duo Victoria B.C., 24th Dec.)	Parcels	Fri., Dec. 6, 3 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden	Reg.	Fri., Dec. 6, 4.15 p.m.
Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Duo Marseilles 8th January 1936).	Letters	Fri., Dec. 6, 5 p.m.

K.P.O. Dec. 6, 4.30 p.m. Reg., Dec. 6, 4.30 p.m. Letters, Dec. 6, 4.30 p.m.

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**LONDON STOCK
EXCHANGE****LATEST SHARE
QUOTATIONS**

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with Reuters. Dec. 4, Dec. 5.

British Government Securities

War Loan 3½% . . . £100½ . . . £100½

4½% Bonds 1938 . . . £101½ . . . £101½

(Eng. Iss.) . . . £101½ . . . £101½

4½% Loan 1908 . . . £90 . . . £90

5% Loan 1912 . . . £73 . . . £73

5% Reg. Loan . . . £90½ . . . £90

1913 (Ldr. Iss.) . . . £90½ . . . £90

5% Gold Bonds . . . £94½ . . . £94½

5% Shai-Nanking . . . £60 . . . £60

5% Tient-Pukow . . . £32 . . . £32

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**"TELEGRAPH" ART
SUPPLEMENT**

To-morrow's Picture
Features

There will be many pictures of topical interest in to-morrow's issue of the *Telegraph Pictorial Supplement*. Groups will include those taken at the Talkoo and K.B.G.C. closing days, the Scottish Church Parade, St. Joseph's College Boy Scouts and Choir, and local weddings. There will also be a picture of the new St. Dominic's College, and some interesting snapshots showing Mr. "Peter" Jackson, of the Dairy Farm, with sons of the Ethiopian Minister to London.

21 YEARS AGO

Extracts From the
"Telegraph" Files

The following extracts are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended December 12, 1914.

The rate of dollar on demand was 1s 9.11/16d.

Mr. C. S. Gubbay, of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon and Co. Ltd., was appointed to the Board of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.

The Prince of Wales' War Relief Fund in Hongkong reached a total of \$192,142.

Captain W. L. Carter, Volunteer Reserves, was appointed Hon. Adjutant in the place of Captain L. G. Bird, resigned. Captain W. A. Stewart was appointed Adjutant of the Corps.

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Burmah . . . 83/1½ . . . 81/10½

Shell Trans. and . . . 81/3 . . . 81/3

Chosen Corp. . . . 13/0 . . . 14/4½

Marsman Invest- . . . 30/6 . . . 30/6

**NEW YORK STOCK
EXCHANGE****MARKET IRREGULAR
YESTERDAY**

New York, Dec. 5.
The following reports on the New York Stock Market have been received through Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz:

The *Wall Street Journal* report on yesterday's markets:—The markets today were irregularly higher in spite of late profit-taking in railroad and special issues. Silver, copper and oil shares were strong on the outlook regarding higher prices in these commodities. Bonds were upward, whilst stocks on the Curb Exchange were irregular.

S. C. & F. New York office cables: Stocks: This market showed a mixed trend, but the undertone was firm. New York telephone stations for the 11 months ended November 30th increased by 18,302, against a loss of 301 stations during the corresponding 11 months of last year.

Cotton: Senatorial discussion regarding the disposal of Government stocks had an unsettling influence. "Spot" demand is light, but the basis is firm. The average of private estimates indicates a growing crop of 11,080,000 bales. Seven brokerage houses are bullish, whilst four houses are bearish in their outlook regarding the market.

Wheat: With Canadian stocks ex-farmers and on transit estimated at 205,000,000 bushels and a more liberal selling policy reported, material advances here are improbable.

Corn: The large moisture content of the new crop is attracting support. Rubber: The market is steady on trade buying. We would purchase on reactions.

REUTER QUOTATIONS

Dow Jones Averages: Dec. 4. Dec. 5.
30 Industrials . . . 144.04 143.72
20 Rails . . . 41.74 41.39
20 Utilities . . . 29.11 29.29
40 Bonds . . . 97.84 98.02
11 Commodity Index . . . 55.94 55.96

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QUEEN'S—SUNDAY

DAYS OF DANGER IN CHINA

BRITAIN'S VIEW OF CONDITIONS

JAPAN ANSWERS QUERIES

During his speech in the House of Commons Foreign Affairs debate today, Sir Samuel Hoare, the Foreign Secretary, replied to the growing financial difficulties faced by China and the disorganisation of China's currency, with a consequent danger to China and industrial and commercial people with interests there.

It seemed desirable that some remedy should be found, said the Foreign Secretary. In the view of the British Government there could be no satisfactory solution of China's difficulties without the friendly co-operation of all countries concerned, including China herself.

In pursuance of these ideas, which Great Britain had communicated to the powers concerned, the British Government had decided to send Sir Frederick Leith-Ross to the Far East on a mission of investigation. Other governments did not accede to Great Britain's suggestion that they might take a similar course, however.

After spending some weeks in Tokyo, Sir Frederick Leith-Ross proceeded to Shanghai and began investigations in consultation with Chinese authorities. In the midst of these discussions the Chinese Government, owing to a sudden exchange crisis, felt compelled to take swift action.

On November 4 a decree was issued changing the basis of China's currency.

The Chinese Government took this action on its own initiative, without the advice of Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, declared Sir Samuel.

REPORT WELL RECEIVED

Reports they had received hitherto indicated that the currency reform scheme had been well received and it had already had a good effect in restoring confidence.

However, there was a serious cloud on China's horizon; namely, the so-called autonomy movement in the North.

Reports had been rife, said Sir Samuel, of the activity of Japanese agents, and the Japanese Government was also supposed to be connected with the autonomy movement. These reports caused the British Government considerable anxiety.

His Majesty's Charge d'Affaires in Tokyo had been specially instructed, therefore, to inform the Japanese Government of Great Britain's concern and to say that Great Britain would welcome a frank statement of Japanese policy.

JAPAN'S ANSWER

The Charge d'Affaires had been informed by the Japanese Government that the autonomy movement in North China was purely a Chinese movement. The Japanese Government, according to the report, was watching developments closely in view of its great interest in North China, but any idea that Japan was planning military intervention was entirely unfounded. His Majesty's spokesman was informed.

No Japanese troops had been moved into North China as a result of the autonomy movement, the Japanese Government informed. Britain and even the garrisons at Tientsin and

SINGAPORE NAVAL BASE, COST

OVER FIVE MILLION NOW SPENT

Up to October 31, a sum of \$5,113,800 had been expended under Navy votes on the construction and equipment of the Singapore Naval Base, stated Mr. Kenneth Lindsay, Civil Lord of the Admiralty, in reply to a question by Mr. Thorne in the House of Commons.

It was added that a sum of \$3,570,200 remained to be spent. The figures do not include \$971,000 for the cost of the floating dock.—*Reuter*.

MUI-TSAI ISSUE RAISED

QUESTION IN THE COMMONS

London, Dec. 5. In the House of Commons, Mr. J. H. Thomas, answering his first question as Secretary of State for the Colonies, with regard to mui-tai in Hongkong, said the report of the Hongkong Committee had already been published in the Colony.

Mr. Thomas added that a despatch had been received from the Governor in Malaya stating that in future his reports would be amplified, containing fuller information and giving the numbers of mui-tai.—*Reuter*.

LENNOX SIMPSON CLAIM

NO USE IN PRESSING MATTER

London, Dec. 5. In the House of Commons, Sir Samuel Hoare, Foreign Secretary, informed Mr. Geoffrey Mander that the Manchurian authorities persisted in their refusal to entertain the claim to compensation made by Mr. Lennox Simpson, well-known writer, who was expelled from the country.

Sir Samuel added that he was forced to the conclusion that any attempt to take further steps would be of no avail.—*Reuter*.

Peiping were below their quota of strength.

Movements of troops near Peiping were explained, said Sir Samuel, by the fact that these forces were already south of the Great Wall, where Japan claimed to be entitled to maintain troops. These troop movements had been prompted by the alleged removal of rolling stock by the Chinese authorities.

Sir Samuel admitted the situation to be most obscure, but added that he trusted the conversations, proceeding between the Chinese and Japanese Governments would result in an amicable settlement of the existing difficulties.

Anything tending to create this belief could only harm Japanese prestige and hamper developments, which all desired, the Foreign Secretary said, the friendly relations between Japan and China and their neighbours and friends.—*Reuter*.

RECKONED APPEARANCES

Sir Samuel said he could only regard it as unfortunate that events should have occurred which, whatever their actual truth, lent colour to the belief that Japanese influence was being exerted to shape China's internal political destiny and administrative arrangements.

The latest donation to the Poppy Day Fund is a sum of \$18.30 from H.M.S. Lowestoft, bringing the total to \$11,834.43.

Pupils of St. Mary's School, Kowloon, will be giving the play "Macbeth" at the school, this evening commencing at 6 o'clock.

Two cases of Diphtheria, three cases of Typhoid and one case of Paratyphoid were reported to the local health authorities on Wednesday.

Mr. Henry Tobias of Messrs. N. Lazarus has come to the Colony from Shanghai to relieve Mr. L. A. Tobias, who is proceeding to Japan on a health trip.

Captain R. C. B. Anderson, M.C., of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, is the new Adjutant of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. He has recently taken over from Major E. J. R. Mitchell, who has been acting since Captain P. S. M. Wilkinson relinquished the appointment.

A truly delightful concert was given at the Helena May Institute yesterday evening. It took the form of a song and piano recital, by Mrs. Anderson Miller (soprano) and Lt. Colonel C. H. Kuhne (at the piano). Both artists are well-known here, and they gave of their best in a lengthy, varied and wholly satisfying programme.

Lai Shum, aged 24, unemployed, was sentenced to a total of one year's hard labour by Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen, at the Central Magistracy this morning, on three charges of theft of a leather bag containing clothing, property of Chua Wah-ting, a coolie at the Government Civil Hospital, unlawful pawning of three articles of clothing, and returning from banishment before the expiration of his term of ten years. Detective Sergeant Byron prosecuted.

BODIKER CASE CONCLUDED

"DISHONESTY" TERM RESENTED

JUDGE RESERVES DECISION

A request that the Chief Justice should not associate himself, in his judgment, with the word "dishonest," a term frequently applied by counsel for the plaintiff, was made by Mr. P. C. Jenkin, K.C., at the Supreme Court this morning when he made his closing address on behalf of Messrs. Bodiker and Company, who were sued for \$38,500 for alleged wrongful conversion by the Ying Wah Co., of Canton.

The case was concluded, and His Lordship will deliver his written judgment on Tuesday morning.

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TRAFFIC ISLAND DAMAGED

LORRY DRIVER FINED

Kwok Kam-cheung, driver of lorry No. 1692, appeared before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, on a summons for driving without due care and caution in Henderson Road on November 2nd.

Traffic Sergeant Brittain said that about 4 p.m. on November 2nd defendant was driving along Henderson Road from west to east apparently going towards Shaokwan.

Traffic Inspector Alexander said this was the first summons to be issued against a driver for damaging a traffic island. This particular island had been damaged on several previous occasions, but it was then considered by the police that the lighting on it was not very good, and no action had been taken until improvements had been made. Since then, two beacons had been erected on the island, and there was absolutely no reason for a driver colliding with it. Furthermore, this island had taken place during the day and the weather was fine. The defendant had swept straight over the island, knocking down the first beacon, and the front of his lorry had come to rest before the second beacon. The damage to the island was \$65, and this amount had been paid.

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RADIO BROADCAST

Relay of the B.B.C. Dance Orchestra

CLASSICAL PROGRAMME

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 365 metres (845 kilocycles):

4-7 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7-11 p.m. European Programme.

7-7:30 p.m. Orchestral Selections from Film.

The Merry Widow (Lehar): One hour with you, Wonder Bar; Music in the Air.

7:30-7:40 p.m. "Drinks all round."

7:40-7:50 p.m. Two Violin Solos by Sascha Jacobson.

1. To a wild Rose (MacDowell).

2. Pale Moon (Indian Love Song) (Logan).

7:50-8 p.m. From the Studio.

"Book Reviews" by Sabrina.

8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report; Closing Local Stock Quotations.

8:05-8:30 p.m. Ensemble Singing: Rock and Roll; Oh! Leo. The American Elton Boys; It's Written all over your face; The Object of my Affection; The Boswell Sisters; Old Fashioned Love; Limousine Blues; The Mills Brothers; Ole faithful; Take me back off when ah did; The Hill Billies.

8:30-9 p.m. A Relay from Davenport.

The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.

9-9:20 p.m. A Relay from the Davenport News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).

9:20-9:35 p.m. From the Studio.

A Violin Recital by Conrado de la Cruz accompanied by Nura Kanis.

9:35-10:30 p.m. Classical Programme.

Symphony No. 45, ("Farewell") in F sharp minor (Haydn).

10 p.m. Big Ben: Reuter Press Bulletins.

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New York Rubber

December 12.90 12.88b/13.00

January 12.98 13.00b/09

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May 13.31 13.41/41

July 13.45 13.54/54

Total sales—140 lots.

Chicago Wheat

December 95 95 95 95

May 95 95 95 95

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Wednesday's sales: 22,142,000 bushels.

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December 56 57 57 57

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New York Silk

December 1.94 1.93 1.93 1.93

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SUSPENDS STATEMENTS

Rome, Dec. 5.

The Bank of Italy has formally suspended condition statements, as was predicted.—*United Press*.

The Social Committee of the Helena May Institute regrets that the pantomime advertised for December 12, 13 and 14 has had to be cancelled, but hopes that a seasonable play may be arranged at an early date.

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MENZEL AND HECHT SPARKLE IN EXHIBITIONS

Davis Cup Players At Cricket Club

BRILLIANT PLAY AT THE NET

S. A. RUMJAHN IN FORM

(By "Veritas").

Roderich Menzel, nearly seven feet of brawn, brain and muscle, held the attention of a goodly number of spectators at the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday afternoon when, in company with his compatriot, L. Hecht, the Czechoslovakian Davis Cupper and tennis player of world wide reputation appeared in exhibitions with and against local talent.

But he was a comparatively subdued Menzel, and did not serve up his Wimbledon Centre-Court pyrotechnics. To those yesterday who had seen Menzel in action at Wimbledon the contrast in his play must have been an eye-opener. I discovered the same difference with E. D. Andrews at The Championships this year. These first class players certainly play 50 per cent. below their top form when in the Far East.

However both visitors gave entertaining displays, and in view of the fact that they have been playing almost continuously throughout the year, including the Japanese championships only a fortnight ago, and that they literally played right from the front to the court, they showed good form.

NOT SO GOOD ON GRASS—I think it is generally conceded that Menzel is far less effective on grass than on hard courts, with the exception of Wimbledon, whose grass courts are the fastest in the world, not excluding those in Australia. They are even faster than the hard courts at the State Roland Garros according to Fred Perry.

Yesterday the court at the Club appeared to be quite slow, although the surface was true enough. Consequently Menzel with his fiercely topped ground strokes and service was at a disadvantage. But there were occasions when he flashed out glittering strokes which sent the ball speeding between the opposition and returnable. His overhead was delightful to behold, and when he took charge in the second set against Hecht and Ho Kiu-lau (he was playing with Willie Hung), spectators saw glimpses of the Menzel who has once again taken a love rest from Perry in 15 minutes. He covered the whole of the court with amazing dexterity for one of his build, and he was vicious with anything which savoured of a loose shot.

Later, against the Rumjahn cousins, he volleyed well, although his habit of taking obvious backhand volleys on the forehand by hitting the ball well in front of him, is extremely unorthodox, and somewhat ungainly.

Menzel's service was nothing like the dynamic shot over the net which, largely due to the fact that the court which did not respond quickly to spin. Certainly he didn't get the usual amount of "kick" out of it.



Menzel and Hecht caught by the camera before giving their display of tennis. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

Hecht, a vivid contrast to Menzel in style and strokes, gave a very pleasing display, and on the whole, I thought, captured the imagination of the crowd rather more than his countryman. He produced some lovely rhythmic shots off the ground on both hands, while his drop volleys and overhead smashes offered a useful object lesson to anybody who cared to watch them closely enough. Hecht goes about his game quietly and methodically. He has a full range of all the fundamental strokes and a few distinctive and "exclusive" shots which he keeps in the bag ready for use when the opportunity occurs.

He played splendid tennis in the two sets of singles against Menzel, baselined driving being a feature. The locals performed quite creditably in such august company.

Hung was palpably nervous when playing with Menzel, but now and again he produced some very good shots. Ho Kiu-lau was impetuous and gave Hecht excellent support. The Rumjahn cousins as a combination were below form. Sirdar played high grade tennis for two sets, but H. D. Rumjahn could do little right and seems to have struck a really bad patch. His volleying, usually so reliable, became his weakest stroke, and it was chiefly through the wholehearted efforts of Sirdar that the local champions were able to offer the visitors any serious opposition.

Bouts of volleying were the big feature of the match. The Czechoslovakians were always volleying more powerfully than the Hongkongers, while Hecht managed to obtain some amazing angles. Altogether it was thoroughly good tennis, and the Colony owes the Davis Cup players a real debt of gratitude for giving up so much of their time during a short stay here to provide such entertainment.

Planned the heat very trying, but after playing four sets of doubles, generously agreed to have two more sets of singles. It was a highly sporting gesture and one fully appreciated by the gathering.

NEW RUGBY RULES WANTED

Ideas That Would Prove Very Popular

(By J. P. Jordan)

I have been asked to remove a misunderstanding concerning the Dominion Conference which the Rugby Union have convened in London on December 18.

Representatives of New Zealand, South Africa, and New South Wales are attending, but it has been stated that they will not meet the other home unions.

This is incorrect. The R.U. have invited the other home unions to meet in a friendly round table discussion after the first conference has been held.

New Zealand will submit a suggestion that an Empire Council be constituted, each union having equal representation, which would have the power to amend or add to the laws of the game, and to arrange programmes of international tours.

The Dominions have for long been striving for equal status with the home unions, and it seems to me only fair that they should have some direct voice in the government of the game.

VALUE OF GOALS

Another New Zealand proposal is that the referee should be allowed to put the ball into the scrum, but players and referees would be dead against such a change. Referees have quite enough to do already without becoming extra players.

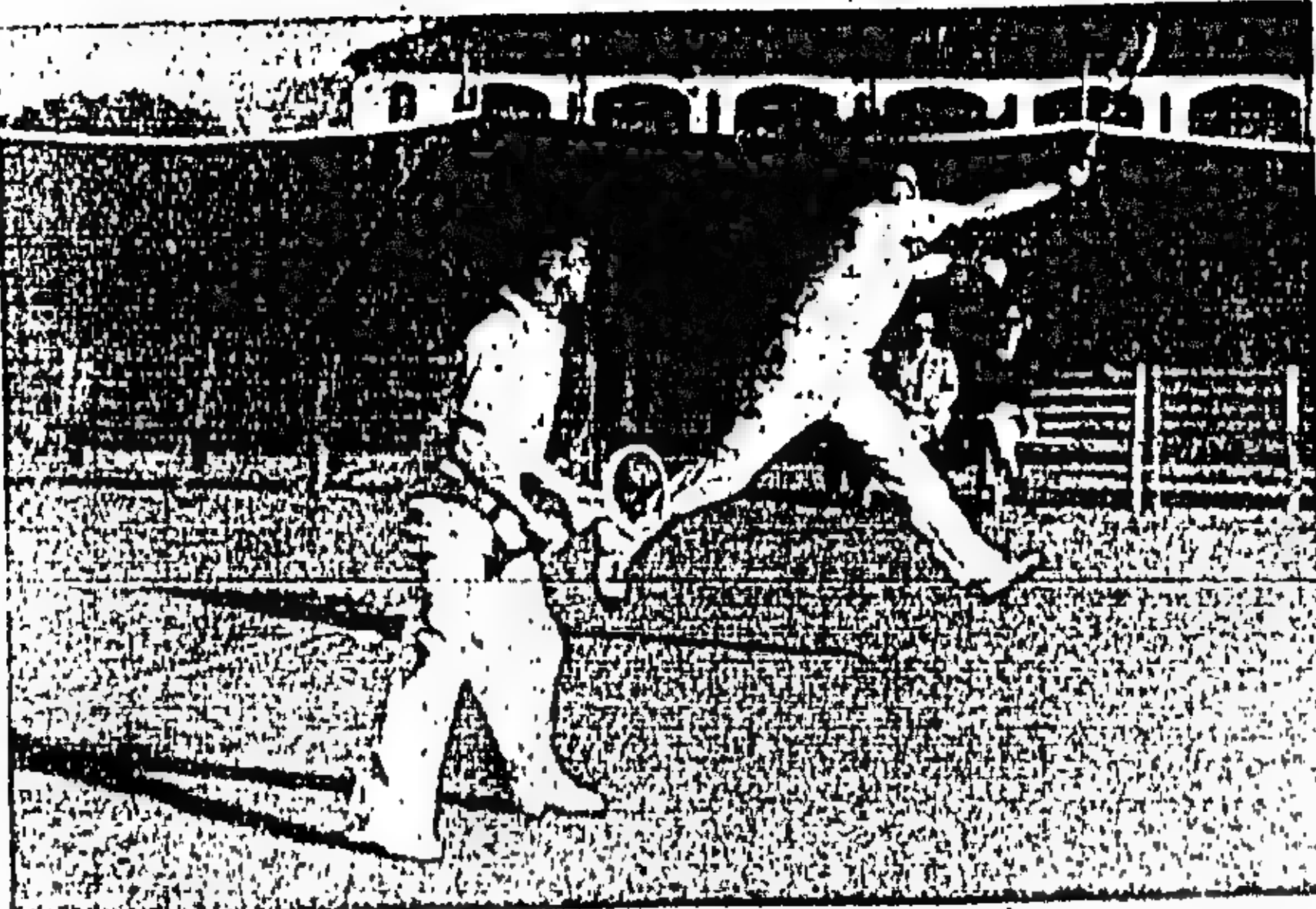
Further suggestions are that a goal from a penalty kick or mark should count two points and a drop goal three, while New Zealand would like, among other things, to have a penalty kick awarded against a player who advances beyond a line drawn through the centre of the scrum before the ball is out.

SCRUM FORMATION

In regard to scrum formation, New Zealand point out that at the request of the Rugby Union they have given a three-years trial to three men in the front row and their conclusion is it makes the referees' task more difficult.

They suggest that we should give a three-years trial to a "two-up" front row, the scrum to consist of seven players and the extra man to figure as an extra back.

I foresee much controversy over this point.



A typical action study of Menzel taken during yesterday's tennis exhibition. With him is W. C. Hung. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

CLEVER BADMINTON BY BLISS AND WEILL

TAKE TWO GAMES FROM ST. ANDREW'S SENIORS: FIRE BRIGADE HUSTLED

St. Andrew's "B" made a praiseworthy showing against their senior team when the two clashed in a men's doubles league match last night. They were beaten 7-2, but gave the winners a much better contest than the scores indicate.

"Sonny" Bliss and Maurice Weill were in particularly good form, winning two of their games and holding E. F. Fincher and Henry Kew to 10-21 before defeat.

S. A. Broadbridge and C. Angus also gave a creditable account of themselves, taking 13 points from Guest and P. J. Dawson 21-2, and a dozen from the Wong brothers.

Score:—E. F. Fincher and H. Kew (St. Andrew's "A") beat S. A. Broadbridge and C. Angus 21-3; beat L. E. Kirby and P. J. Dawson 21-2. A. E. P. Guest and F. A. Broadbridge (St. Andrew's "A") lost to Bliss and Weill 6-21; beat Broadbridge and Angus 21-13; beat Kirby and Dawson 21-7. R. H. and F. V. Wong (St. Andrew's "A") lost to Bliss and Weill 20-21; beat Broadbridge and Angus 21-12; beat Kirby and Dawson 21-3.

FIRE BRIGADE JUST WIN

The Fire Brigade, with a weakened team, had a narrow escape from defeat when they met the Sailors and Soldiers' Home on the latter's court last night. The Fire Brigade scrap-

Mixed Doubles Badminton

TO-NIGHT'S GAMES

Five matches are scheduled this evening in the mixed doubles badminton league, the most important being the Fire Brigade against Recreio "B". With the "Firemen" on their own court, they can be expected to win.

There is every possibility of Kowloon Tong scoring their first win of the season on their own court against St. John's, and the other home teams can be expected to win.

Programme:—Recreio "A" v. Talkoo; St. Andrew's v. S. and S. Home; Fire Brigade v. Recreio "B"; Kowloon Tong v. St. John's.

CRICKET NOTES

Craigengower Have Very Useful All-Round Team

BY R. ABBIT

The League system is slowly getting under way, though with the University inactive—or so I suppose—until January next, and with the Recreio not fielding a team in the Senior League, the games in this are few and far between. Before considering the Clubs in some detail, and their chances in the League, I may as well deal with tomorrow's programme so far as I know it.

In the Senior League, the only first, including B. C. K. Hawkins, League game is one between the skipper, had made engagements Navy and the Army at King's Park. In view of the blank day in the card, I have been a terrific struggle I am a member of the Club and have had it been played a week or two not yet got one.

But Medway's departure has naturally weakened both the first and second eleven, though Kent and Dorsetshire are still here with a bunch of Submarines. I think the Army should win pretty easily unless Garthwaite's injury still prevents him from bowling.

The Craigengower eleven play the Indian eleven in non-League games. Besides the two non-League games, the C.C.C. first eleven being at home. Which I have already mentioned, it will be a good try out for them. Police are at home to the Navy, but I very much doubt if they can second eleven, but they will have to hold the Indian team if it is at full pull out a much better game than by strength. K.C.C. had a blank day they have done so far if they are to have arranged a non-League game going to hold the useful, if some- ground it is on I am not quite sure croc are at home to the K.C.C. but as both sides seem to have different on form they will be lucky to escape a draw. I gather it is possible that defeat from a full K.C.C. side. The C.S. team, may become Mr. F. have no information of any other Baker's team, as several members of games.

MACAO RACE MEETING

GOOD SPORT PROMISED FOR SUNDAY

THE MOST FANCIED PONIES

(By "Captain Foster")

The Autumn race meeting under the auspices of the Macao Jockey Club will be held at Arcia Preta, Macao, on Sunday. First saddling-bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m., and the first race will be run at 2 o'clock. The Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co. Ltd., will berth the s.s. Kinshan and she will leave at 9.30 a.m., returning from Macao at 5.30 p.m.

Very good entries have been received in view of the fact that the allotment of weights has been framed by Mr. C. M. Alves, the events will be keenly contested and a day of thrills and good dividends is assured. The feature of the meeting will be the special Two Dollar Cash Sweep on the fourth race, South China Cup, confined to "D" and "E" classes over a mile and I am told that the first prize will be in the neighbourhood of \$75,000. The trip to the Portuguese Colony, apart from racing, is worth making and I hear a good crowd will turn up.

In the opening event, Sheik-O Stakes, I fancy the chances of Tin Ho, Beginner's Luck and Flamingo. Tin Ho, by virtue of a win at the Valley, has incurred a penalty of 5 lbs. and I am afraid that may put him out.

STANLEY HANDICAP—The Stanley Handicap has been subdivided into two sections at the discretion of the handicapper and there are 17 good ones in the first section. It is not likely that all will accept, in view of the main event, but we should see a good race and Festival Eve, who likes the Portuguese course owing to, I presume, the environment, is set to shoulder only 144 lbs. Tiny Star looks good at 144 lbs. but I am afraid Mr. G. Roza will not be able to tip the scale and I can't see him winning at overweight. Flying Tourist, an old stager, has a long sequence of 11 unplaced outings and it is about time that he should present his card to the Judges. Rousseau has another engagement and wherever he starts, he is worth \$5 and a good crowd will turn up.

In the second section of the Stanley Handicap, Valley Hall will be competing. His last outing was at

Not much of a dividend will be paid out in the Victoria Handicap for "C" Class Ponies as Soldier of China, after his easy win last week at the Valley, is almost a "cert" and Monoplane and Pride of Tientsin should be placed. Racing Boy is in fine fettle and is worth an outside bet.

The last race on the Card is the Consolation Stakes to be ridden by



FLYING TOURIST—not to be seriously considered.



FESTIVAL EVE—may win the Stanley Handicap.

Macao Selections

(By "CAPTAIN FOSTER")

My selections for the six races are as follows:—

- SHEIK-O STAKES**
Beginner's Luck
Tin Ho
Flamingo
- STANLEY H'CAP. (1ST SECTION)**
Festival Eve
Flying Tourist
Diogenes
- STANLEY H'CAP. (2ND SECTION)**
Emergency Call
Mersey
Valley View
- SOUTH CHINA CUP**
Boxing Eve
Young Chap or Glad Eyes
Heart's Glory
- VICTORIA H'CAP.**
Soldier of China
Monoplane
Pride of Tientsin
- CONSOLATION STAKES**
Festival Eve
Tillium
Plain View

Indies who are to weigh out at only 125 lbs. I hear that several Ladies are making the trip just to show that they are no novices and it is to be hoped that they will not carry over-weight. The race should be between Festival Eve, Plain View and Tillium.

Badminton Players' Records In Men's Doubles Div.

COMPLETE AND UP TO DATE LIST

The following is the complete and up to date list of the individual performances of couples playing in the men's doubles of the badminton league.

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.
E. F. Fincher and H. Kew (St. Andrew's)	9	9	0	189	48
F. H. Kwok and G. A. Smith (St. John's)	9	9	0	189	60
S. W. Liang and S. Lee (C.R.C.)	9	8	1	116	58
C. Y. Yung and S. P. Chan (C.R.C.)	9	8	1	176	67
E. L. Shute and T. L. Anderson (Fire Brigade)	9	7	2	161	99
A.E.P. Guest and A. Broadbridge (St. Andrew's)	9	7	2	161	123
R. H. and F. V. Wong (St. Andrew's)	6	6	0	126	18
M. A. Oliveira and A. M. Silva (Recreio)	6	6	0	126	23
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N. Beltrao and A. J. Basto (Recreio)	3	3	0	63	34
R. Koh and D. Kwok (St. John's)	3	3	0	63	42
C. P. Ip and H. W. Ho (C.R.C.)	3	3	0	63	42
S. A. Broadbridge and C. Angus (St. Andrew's)	6	3	3	63	113
N. Beltrao and B. Gosano (Recreio)	3	3	0	63	20
P. J. Remedios and A. J. Remedios (Recreio)	3	3	0	63	26
F. H. Kwok and N. Smith (St. John's)	3	2	1	61	26
E. Sousa and J. Goncalves (Recreio)	3	2	1	55	38
T. F. Lo and S. W. Wong (C.R.C.)	3	2	1	52	45
C. H. Summers and A. W. Norrie (Talkoo)	6	2	4	83	94
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R. Koh and N. Smith (St. John's)	9	2	7	130	165
P. Leung and Pong (Kowloon Tong)	9	2	7	104	171
J. Ribeiro and J. Xavier (Recreio)	3	2	1	63	46
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E. Alves and G. M. Xavier (V.R.C.)	3	1	2	63	46
S. Bliss and S. A. Broadbridge (St. Andrew's)	3	1	2	46	52
H. C. Taylor and P. B. Alam (V.R.C.)	3	1	2	48	56
N. Beltrao and F. Remedios (Recreio)	3	1	2	41	55
P. Leung and F. S. Kho (Kowloon Tong)	3	1	2	51	57
P. J. Dawson and L. E. Kirby (St. Andrew's)	6	1	5	52	113
M. M. Soares and C. N. Xavier (V.R.C.)	3	1	2	76	62
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A. A. Basto and A. Xavier (Recreio)	3	0	3	11	63
D. Wignell and Yung Chan (S. and S. Home)	3	0	3	10	63
H. D. Mathews and H. Brooks (St. Andrew's)	3	0	3	7	63
J. Doves and G. Hall (Talkoo)	3	0	3	5	63
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GOOD DIVIDENDS ORDER OF THE DAY

COMRIE HANDICAP PROVIDES EXCITING RESULT

There was really a good turn out of racing enthusiasts at the Thirteenth Extra, or as it is better known, the St. Andrew's Meeting held last Saturday under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club. It was undoubtedly the best Meeting since the recess and I am sure that everybody must have enjoyed it.

As was predicted, there were several close finishes with plenty of thrills and excitement, especially in the penultimate race the Comrie Handicap (Second Section) when the Judges could not separate the ponies for the first and third places, and the red hot favourites had a very poor day.

Good dividends, although not over three figures, were the order of the day and the St. Andrew's "ball" started to roll in the Ewo Handicap when Bootle paid \$61.20 for a win. It was immediately followed by Harvest View in the Crief Handicap returning \$83 to its supporters. It was fitting for Tillicum to register his first win of the year in the Comrie Handicap on behalf of the President of St. Andrew's Society, Dr. J. C. Macgown and rewarded with \$41.10.

After this, the excitement ceased a bit. The main event of the day, the distance was the only race in which the favourite, Ribble, owned by Mr. V. M. Grayburn, did not let the punters down, and remunerated them with \$12.70. The lowest "div" of the day namely \$12.40 was handed out by Mr. Leo Frost on Gladator in the Glasgow Handicap and in the next race Vixen Tor won the meeting with \$77.00. The dead-heaters Mersey and Emergency Call in the penultimate event the Comrie Handicap (Second Section) could not pay more than \$18.00 and \$26.00 respectively, and Mr. H. A. Botelho, who scored his third novice win on Soldier of China, closed the meeting with \$83.00 to the delight of 97 punters.

LUCKY TO WIN

Mr. Leo Frost was lucky to win the Glasgow Handicap owing to a misunderstanding on the part of Messrs. Proulx and Roza on the two Kings and it was amusing that no Jockey could score double.

This was the second occasion that two ponies have dead-heated in the second selected race of the Daily Double Event, the other time being at the Eleventh Extra Race Meeting held last year on November 17 when Oak Bay and Brechin finished together in the Castle Peak Handicap.

I understand that the Official Handicapper, Mr. C. M. Alvea has given an undertaking to the members of the betting public that he will not frame any more Dead Heats and he is doing his best to do so.

The Hon. Mr. J. J. Patterson entertained members of the staff of the Princely House to lunch at his private stand before the great classic race and it would interest one to know whether the "good ones" were responsible for the unmaking of Messrs. Gardiner and Nicholson's out of the poundage, would have to appear before the Stewards to answer the protest lodged by the owner for allotting 180 lbs. After all, is China Pony a weight carrier or not?

IN FINE FORM

Harvest View reproduced his fine form when he ran second to Pontine Bay in the Hongkong Girlfins Cup and won the Crief Handicap in easy fashion. He took the lead from the word "go" and was never at any time of the race seriously challenged. Monoplane could not do better than finish second. Pride of Tsingtau (Mr. Frost) the hot favourite with 423 backers to win had to bow to

Bistre for third placing. The sprint race, Comrie Handicap (First Section) over five furlongs attracted 12 runners. There was a little delay in the start, but when the barrier was released, Belmont Star did the running and was followed by Heart's Glory, Flying Tourist, Rousseau and others in close attendance.

There was hardly any change round the corner, but after passing the 12 mile post the running of Heart's Glory and Rousseau was hampered and the whole trouble was that the field of 12 did not spread out a bit when entering the straight. However, it was a surprise that no one thought of lodging a protest though there were some heated arguments over the matter in the Jockey's room. Tillicum certainly selected an auspicious day to register his first win of the year for the President of St. Andrew's Society and the chairman, Dr. J. C. Macgown was showered with congratulations from members of his clan.

NOT FAR WRONG

I predicted the order of the finish in the St. Andrew's Stakes would be Ribble, Mistake Bay and The Tiger and Vixen Tor was Ribble, The Tiger and Mistake Bay and the old stager Helman came in fourth. There were seven acceptors for the main event against four last year. Ribble was made a hot favourite and the public were justified in placing their confidence on him. A good send off saw King's Bounty take the lead and then came The Tiger, Helman, Mistake Bay and others. Going down the decline for the first time, Mr. Proulx pulled up King's Bounty and dismounted, this being due to a broken stirrup leather.

Passing the Judge's Box for the first time, the order of running was The Tiger, Helman, Mistake Bay and Bright View, and Mr. Botelho on Ribble was quite content to watch the field from behind. Up the incline The Tiger was still leading the procession but Mistake Bay moved up to second position and was followed by Helman with Ribble chasing. At this juncture, Bright View and Soldier of Germany were labouring and it could be seen that they had no chance whatever of getting a place. After passing the Black Rock, Helman shot ahead to be followed by Mistake Bay and Ribble, and The Tiger dropped to fourth position, and there was no change round the bend.

When entering the straight, Helman petered out with the result that Mistake Bay took command of the situation but only for a couple of seconds as before reaching the Distance Post, Ribble passed her without much difficulty. It could be seen that at this point Mr. Botelho had the race well in hand and won comfortably by 1½ lengths. There was a good fight between The Tiger and Mistake Bay for second honour and The Tiger secured the verdict by a head. Mr. Botelho rode a well timed race on Ribble and the combination gave Mr. V. M. Grayburn a handsome Silver Cup. I believe this is his first racing trophy.

GLASGOW HANDICAP

It could hardly be called a field as there were only four starters in the Glasgow Handicap confined to "A" Class Ponies and this was the first leg of the Daily Double Event. In a good start, King's Justice took the lead and was followed by Cychemen Bay with King's Warden and Gladator (close the rails) in the rear. The same position was maintained right up to the Three Furlong Post and after this, Mr. Proulx who knew that he could not win with King's Justice, decided to give the rails to King's Warden, but instead Mr. Frost helped himself. In a flash he was through with Gladator and King's Warden lost a good bit of the ground by coming on the outside.

Despite the very liberal use of the whip, King's Warden had to bow to the Gladator by 1½ lengths.

The Fremantle St. Leger winner Cold Morning and the sprinter Southern Cross refused to accept the weights allotted and there were only eight runners in the Coogee Handicap for "A" class Aussies. It was indeed a treat to watch this event and the finish was very exciting. Mr. Alec Potts deserved a pat on the back in riding them off almost in a line and the speedy merchant Atlas under the able guidance of Mr. Proulx was first away like lightning with Bobnik Star, Shooting Star, Vixen Tor and the rest following. It was a ding dong affair in the home bending Bobnik Star by three-quarters of a length and the latter accounted for Atlas by half-a-length. Saucy Face lost the third place by a head and Australian Boy, Racing Heart and Shooting Star were well up. Vixen Tor did certainly spring a surprise in winning the race and there is no denying that she and the jockey Mr. Ralph are hard to beat. No doubt she had a pull of 13 lbs from Bobnik Star but it must be admitted that she was conceding weights to a few old timers.

The best race of the day was seen in the penultimate event, the Comrie Handicap "D" Class (Second Section) which incidentally was the second leg of the Daily Double Event and spotting the winner was enough to drive one crazy. However, all accepted and it was a tribute to the Handicapper. With the exception of Nebular Star who had a bad start, the rest of the field got away pretty well and down to the Black Rock, Warrington and Mersey, which were well bunched together coming round the bend, and the rail-birds, especially those at the public stand, were getting very excited when the field started to spread out for the home run.

From this point onwards, there was nothing else but shouts and the prominent ponies to be seen were (starting from the rails) Emergency Call, The Rain Gauge, Solar Star, Warrington, 17th of September, Partnership and Mersey. They were racing neck and neck under hard pressure with the liberal use of the whips and without the slightest exaggeration, all the ponies named passed the Winning Post almost in a line. No-one could tell the Winner except the Judges and they took some good time to deliberate.

In the meantime, the successful punters were impatiently waiting the decision of the Judges and when one of the energetic staff of "Tommy Atkins" put the saddle numbers "5" (Mersey) and "1" (Emergency Call) horizontally in the frame to be followed below with "9" (Solar Star) and "11" (The Rain Gauge) horizontally, and under the frame with

"Dead Heat" "Short Head" and "The Same", there were many happy and smiling faces.

The staff of the Pari-Mutuel department, especially those dealing with Place Betting did not like the decision presumably because they had to work out dividends on four ponies. There were more backers to win on Mersey than Emergency Call and it was a funny coincidence that in the Daily Double Event these two ponies had the same amount of supporters and paid \$70.80. The betting number of Mersey was 454 and this added together was 13.

Mr. H. A. Botelho, who scored his third novice win on Soldier of China, rode a well timed race in the last event, the Inverness Handicap and paid the biggest dividend of the day namely \$83.00. There was an argument after the race that it was Mr. Botelho's first winning mount, but on looking up the racing record of the Hongkong Jockey Club, I found that his first win was on his own pony City Hall in 1929 and that he rode Bay of Calamity to victory, and dead-heated with Bay of Bellingham II (Mr. Soares) in 1931. Valorous the red hot favourite let the punters down badly and the end of a perfect day saw Mr. L. Lan-sang leading in two ponies, Bright Star and Night View, ridden by the Chay brothers, who were second and third respectively.



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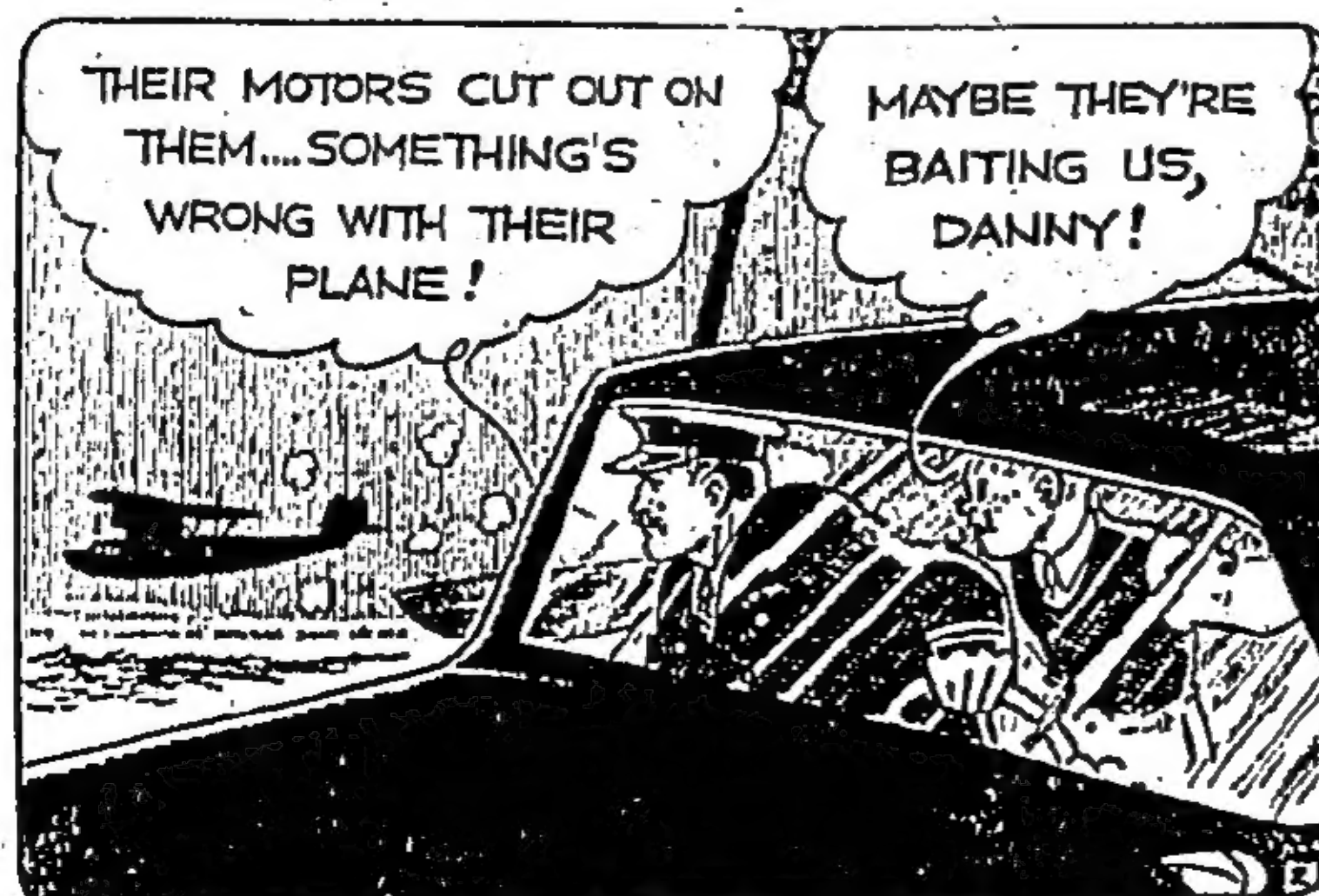
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SERIAL STORY—

DONNA'S BIG TOP

by BEULAH POYNTER

CHAPTER XLVII

It was Minnie who discovered that Donna was gone. Miss Perkins, the nurse, who considered it a disaster that Anos Sidal had been at rest at last, hurried her into the kitchen to get supper. Whether any one else in the family wanted food or not, the nurse felt the need of it.

Sniffing audibly, Minnie set about preparing the meal. It was not strange to her that Mrs. Sidal did not come down to help. She was probably prostrated by grief. Minnie set the table, placed the food upon it, and called Miss Perkins. The nurse insisted that Bill must eat something, too.

"Ask Mrs. Sidal to come down, Minnie," she added. "Tell her I said she must have some food. She mustn't let herself get ill."

Rubbing her eyes with a handkerchief, Minnie mounted the stairs. The sniffling was gone when she dashed back into the dining room. "She's gone!" Minnie cried excitedly. "She's Sidal's gone!"

"Maybe she's outside," the nurse suggested.

"No, Ma'am. Her travelling bag's gone and there ain't any toilet things on the dresser! There's a big trunk in the hall with her name on it. Oh, my Lord!" Minnie began to wring her hands, as if Donna's disappearance affected her personally.

Bill pushed back his chair and strode from the room. Only too evident were the indications of his wife's departure. Bureau drawers and clothes hangers were empty. The huge wardrobe trunk with the black letters "Madeline Gabriel," stood at the foot of the second flight of stairs.

She had gone without a word to him. If he needed further proof that Con David had told the truth this supplied it.

Bill searched for some farewell message but there was none. Even before Grandfather's funeral, Madeline had left the house. Was she utterly heartless? But why expect more of a woman who had been a cheat from the day he had first met her?

Why had she married him? Had she separated from the animal trainer and been afraid a divorce would have been frowned upon by Grandfather? Or were she and David divorced, so that she was legally Bill's wife? No—if that were the case she would not have run away.

He heard the telephone bell ringing but did not answer it. Presently he heard Miss Perkins saying, "Hello! Yes, he's here." Then she called, "A woman wants to speak to you, Mr. Sidal."

A wild hope that it was Madeline stirred in Bill's breast. When he heard Mrs. Planter's voice over the wire his disappointment was so acute that he felt almost ill.

"Bill, in spite of the way you talked to me I'm still your friend. I just wanted to tell you that the circus feller checked out of the hotel and has gone to Chicago," he answered.

"I'm not interested," he answered.

"You should be considerate! Madeline took the same train."

"What's that?"

"It's all over town. She didn't buy no ticket, but Ben Goddard said she told him she was going to Chicago on the 6 o'clock in spite of the fact that Anos had died. An' Curt Lezenby saw her get on the train an'—"

"Thanks," Bill interrupted and hung up the receiver.

What other feelings Reba Perkins might have had, curiosity was not one of them. She asked no questions of the silent, haggard-eyed man. She contrived to induce him to eat and offered no sympathy. She knew that sympathy at such a time would break down his defence of reserve and might do untold harm.

Alec Adams drove over at 10 o'clock, offering to sit up with Grandfather. Bill thanked him but said it was not necessary. The sight of Adams aroused such poignant recollections that Bill could not endure his presence.

He lay down on the sofa in the living room. Not far away reposed

the old man, his snowy head on a white pillow, his face as peaceful as if he were sleeping. Some of the contentment Anos Sidal had known in life seemed to cling to him in death, and the harassed young man, keeping the death watch, felt it.

At 6 o'clock in the morning the telephone rang again. Groggy with fatigue and the emotional storm he had endured, Bill staggered into the hall.

A man's voice said, "This is Curt Kellogg. Bill. There's a telegram for you. Want I should read it or send it out?"

"Read it to me."

"It's dated to-day, five a.m., Chicago. It reads, 'Con David died. May I come back and explain? Wire Blackstone Hotel, Madeline. Want to send an answer?'"

"Not now."

Bill went into the living room and sat down, his hands hanging limply between his knees. So she wanted to come back and explain. Explain what? That she was divorced from Con David but—

Telegrams were public property in Lebanon. Before noon everyone in town would know that, not only had Bill Sidal's wife run away with another man, but she had wired her husband to take her back.

He'd be damned if he would! He had told her he would get out and that would not have created a scandal. He could have gone back to finish his medical course and later affairs between himself and Madeline could have been arranged quietly.

No, he couldn't answer the telegram. Let her go back to the circus where she belonged. She had never been truly happy on the farm. Always there had been something on her mind. No matter how close they had seemed there had always been a barrier between them.

The other marriage explained that. Poor kid, probably she had worried plenty. Maybe she had worried David and was afraid of what he might do. Maybe everything hadn't been easy for her. No use to get sentimental. She was gone. Let her stay where she was!

But he could not dismiss the telegram. The certainty the feeling, that perhaps she was in trouble persisted. There was a streak of stubbornness in Bill's nature, however, that would not let him do what his heart prompted.

The day passed with no answer sent. And another day passed. Then came the funeral. Services were held at home and, in spite of the distance from town, many were present. Neighbours who had known Anos Sidal all his life and loved him. Many drawn through curiosity to learn, if possible, why young Sidal had gone away. Others to see that Bill was taking the situation.

There were some who had known Donna casually and liked her, who refused to believe that she had gone away with another man.

It was a bitter ordeal for Bill. The sight of Mrs. Planter in rusty black, nobbing dolefully, was almost too much for him. He would have liked to fling her out of the house but he could not do that. She had lived in the Sidal home for five years and was supposed to be a close friend.

He managed to avoid her and ignored the condolences she offered. Joe Hoskins, the lawyer, a lifelong acquaintance of Grandfather Sidal, rode to the cemetery in the car with Bill. Minnie and Miss Perkins sat behind.

Little was said on the dismal trip, but on the way home again the attorney asked, "Shall I come out to your place to read the will or will you come in to the office?"

"It doesn't matter," Bill answered gloomily. "The property all goes to Madeline. You'll have to get in touch with her."

Hoskins coughed and adjusted his spectacles. "No," he said. "It doesn't. Your Grandfather didn't leave Madeline a cent."

"What?"

"The farm and everything else is yours, Bill, unless—well, he did leave

a letter addressed to the two of you, but I have an idea that hasn't anything to do with the property."

"But I don't understand! I always thought—"

"I reckon he figured that, as you were man and wife, it didn't make any difference who had the property and maybe it was wiser for the man to have the say than the woman."

"But this will can't stand. It's—it's wrong! Let's read it at once, Mr. Hoskins. There must be some mistake!"

"Just as you say, Bill, but there's no mistake. The will will have to stand."

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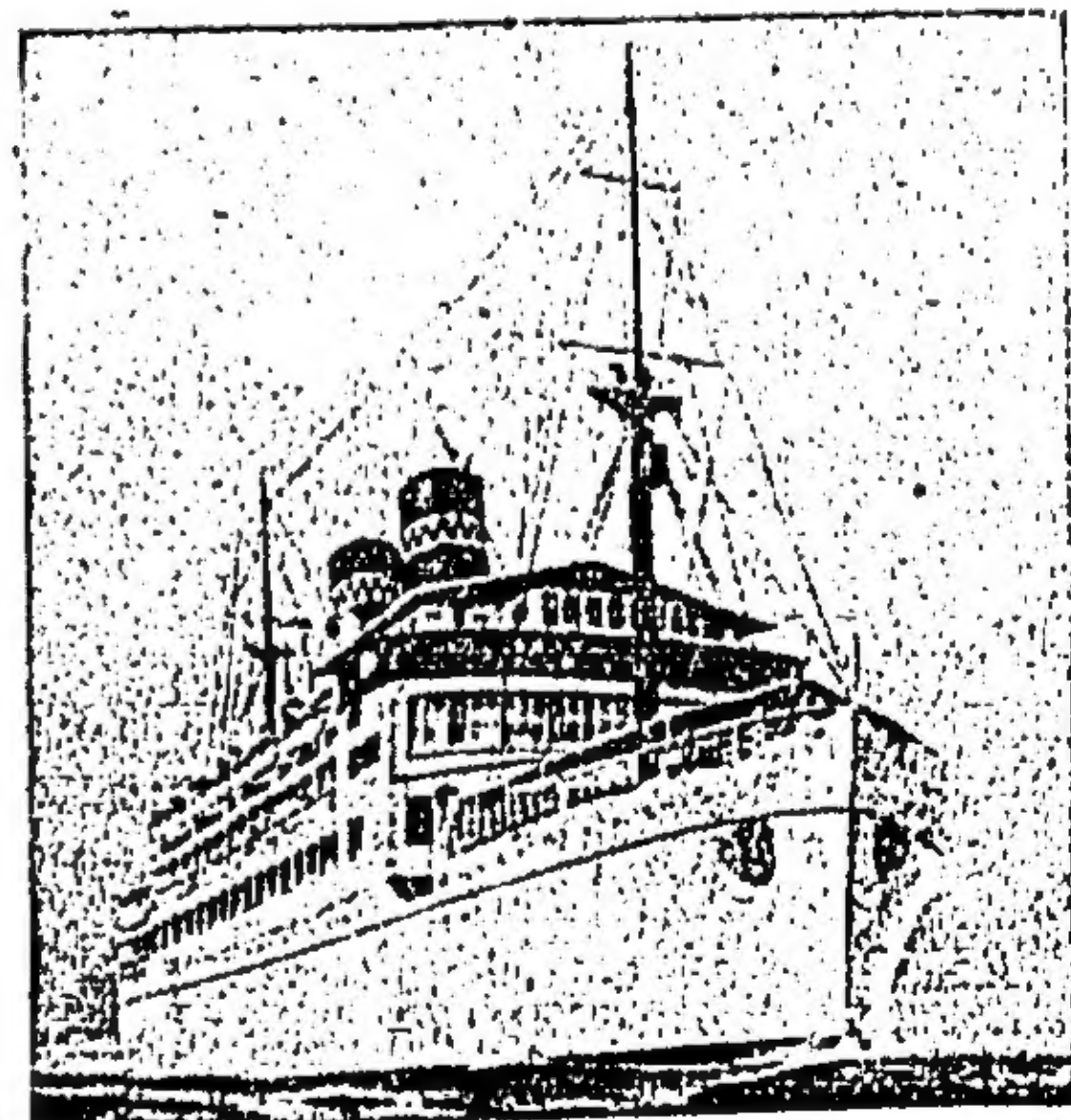
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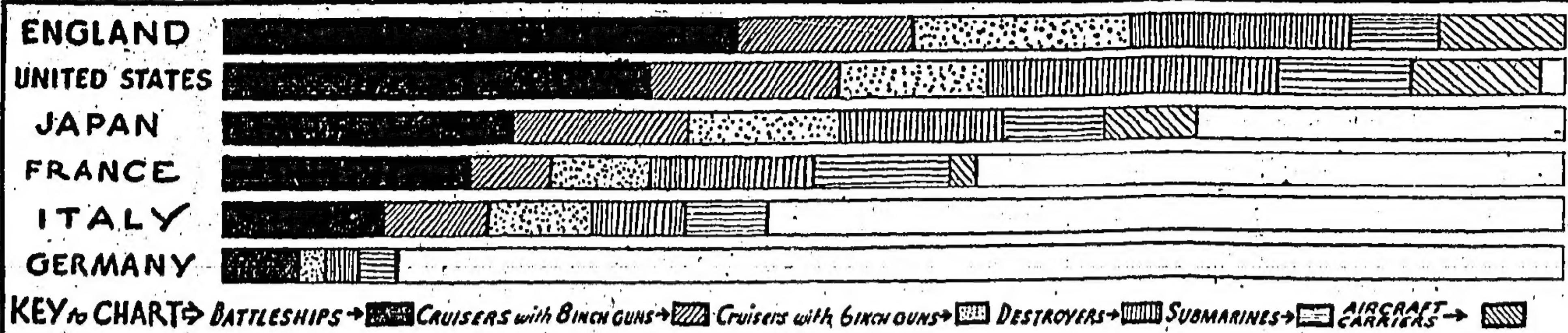
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MAYBE THINGS AREN'T SO SERIOUS?

Sloughing the cares of his important office, and all concern for the troubled international situation for the nonce, Sir Samuel Hoare, England's Foreign Secretary, recently stole a few hours from his desk to glide over the ice at the Queen's Ice Club, in London. Sir Samuel is an enthusiastic figure skater.



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OPIUM HIDDEN IN PUMPELOS

EFFORT TO BLUFF THE CUSTOMS

On the appearance of three unemployed men at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning on charges of smuggling raw opium into the Colony, the prosecution revealed that the defendants hid the opium in pumpelos in an attempt to pass the Customs officers at the Kowloon-Canton Railway Station yesterday. The defendants were fined various sums by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones.

Admitting the possession of 18 taels of raw opium, Chan Yau, 22, was fined \$540, or, in default, three months' hard labour. Lam Shiu-wah, 25, was fined \$240, with the alternative of eight weeks' hard labour, for the possession of eight taels of raw opium.

Revenue Officer H. Major stated that defendants were arrested coming off the Canton Express at the Kowloon-Canton Railway Station yesterday, and in each case the opium was found concealed in pumpelos.

Cheung Man-wah, 30, was fined \$270, or, in default, eight weeks' hard labour when he pleaded guilty to the possession of nine taels of raw opium at the Kowloon-Canton Railway Station yesterday. The prosecution stated that in this case defendant hid the opium in a pair of new shoes.

A 24-year-old married woman, Teung Hing, was charged with the possession of 2½ lbs. of dutiable Chinese tobacco and on pleading guilty was fined \$20, with the alternative of 14 days' hard labour.

The opium and tobacco were confiscated.

HOARE'S PEACE QUEST

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reign, or interfere with Italy's internal affairs.

LAY ASIDE SUSPICION!
"Can we not lay aside suspicion and concentrate upon finding a settlement, making it possible for the world to return to its normal life? There is no nation participating in sanctions which would not be delighted to see friendly relations with Italy restored and sanctions ended. But as long as collective action is needed, the League, including ourselves, is bound to proceed under the Covenant. Nor is there any likelihood that the League will weaken or its members fail to play their parts."

Sir Samuel did not disguise the difficulties, but said they must not despair of surmounting them. There were sufficient difficulties in the world without added trouble and the danger of the Ethiopian dispute.

The peace of Britain, the Empire and the world has been the result of our policy. We shall not hesitate to make our views heard and our influence felt against war and international strife," he concluded.

ANTHONY EDEN SPEAKS
London, Dec. 5.

Mr. Anthony Eden, Minister for League Affairs, speaking in the House of Commons, said the fact that fifty nations were willing to shoulder the unwelcome responsibility of sanctions constituted a remarkable testimony for their anxiety to see a new era prevail.

Mr. Eden believed that as collective security grew stronger it would be possible to reduce the level of armaments and if the League emerged stronger from the present dispute an opportunity which must not be missed would be created for seeking an agreement for reduction and limitation of armaments.—*Reuter*.

AMERICAN WARNING TO JAPAN

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dilation of several of China's northern provinces.

"Unusual developments in any part of China are of concern not alone to the United States and the people of China but to all the many powers who have interests in China. For in their relations with China and in China's treaty rights and obligations of the treaty powers are in general identical."

AMERICAN INTERESTS
"In the area under reference the interests of the United States are similar to those of other powers. The American Government therefore, is closely observing what is happening there."

Mr. Hull added that in this period of world-wide political unrest and economic instability, it was most important that Governments and peoples keep faith in their principles and pledges they had given. Japanese activities are mentioned in a foreword to the statement, explaining Mr. Hull's remarks, which were issued in response to press inquiries. The rumour of joint Anglo-American action in North China is still unconfirmed.—*Reuter*.

TRAFFICKING IN CURRENCIES

ITALIAN BANKERS PUNISHED

Rome, Dec. 5.
A vast scheme for trafficking in currencies has been discovered, and the head of a Rome bank, charged in connection therewith, has been fined a million lire and been banished to L'ipari Islands.

Sixteen members of the bank staff have been fined sums ranging from 500 to 15,000 lire.—*Reuter*.

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The following personnel are on board the transport *Neuralla* which sailed from Southampton on November 23, and is due in Hongkong on December 28, in addition to over 250 N.C.O.s:

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Under the auspices of the Chinese Fine Arts Club, an exhibition of Chinese paintings, was opened this morning in the sixth floor of China Building and will be continued until December 15. The exhibition is open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Those interested in Chinese art should make a special point of seeing the exhibition in as much as there are 120 paintings on view, some being of a high standard.

The paintings in the exhibition represent the work of six Chinese artists, Messrs. Chiu Shiu-nong, Chow Yut-fung, Ip Shiu-ping, Wong Shiu-keung and Yung Shu-ah-ek. Each of them has turned out 20 paintings.

The majority of the paintings are nature studies, but some are landscapes these being particularly well done.

All the paintings on view are for sale, and with the price of each picture, can be obtained on application.

RETARDING RECOVERY

U.S. ADMINISTRATION ACCUSED

New York, Dec. 5.
The National Association of Merchants have accused the United States Government of retarding recovery.

They have demanded the revival of private enterprise and unanimously adopted an American industry platform including the freedom of enterprise and sound fiscal policies.

The delegates of the Association have pledged themselves to make an effort to defeat the new Deal in 1936.—*United Press*.

BREMEN BOMB PLOT FEARED

U.S. COASTGUARD ON WATCH

New York, Dec. 5.
An anonymous report to the police that a plot was afoot to bomb the German liner *Bremen*, which is due in quarantine at 10 o'clock this evening, resulted in extraordinary precautions being taken by the authorities.

The U. S. Coastguard has been ordered to have ships standing by; while a force of marine police is meeting the ship at quarantine and will be present at the docking.—*Reuter*.

DE BONO BACK IN ITALY

WARM WELCOME GIVEN AT ROME

Rome, Dec. 5.
Marshal de Bono, on his return from the Ethiopian front, was greeted by Signor Mussolini and a crowd of three thousand people on his arrival at the station, which was guarded by a double line of Black Shirts.

The platform was occupied by a large group of Fascist officials, including the Presidents of the Senate and the Chamber and other notables. The Fascist Militia provided a guard of honour, while large numbers of the carabinieri were on parade.—*Reuter*.

HEROIN PILLS SEIZED

REVENUE OFFICERS' RAIDS

Two raids by Revenue Officers at addresses in Kei Shing Street and King Kwong Street, and the seizure of about 30,000 heroin pills and dangerous drugs yesterday afternoon, formed the subject of charges brought against two men before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning.

The defendants were Yip Chung and Chan Kwok-sun, both of whom were charged with possession of heroin pills on the second floor of No. 63 King Kwong Street, Happy Valley. Chan Kwok-sun was also charged with possession of dangerous drugs at No. 62 Ko Shing Street, second floor.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo, instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall, appeared for the first defendant, and tendered a plea of not guilty. Second defendant admitted both charges.

Revenue Officer Grimmer, prosecuting, said there were about 30,000 pills, and the dangerous drug was heroin. A raid was made on the second floor of No. 62 Ko Shing Street about 5 p.m. yesterday and the second defendant was found there with the heroin. An address was also found on the floor, and as a result, the second floor of No. 63 King Kwong Street was also raided. The first defendant and two women, believed to be his wife and concubine, were on the floor, and in a rear room were found the pills and a fire, which was alight. The defendant stated that the pills belonged to a man named Chan, from whom he had sublet two rooms.

The owner of the house was communicated with, and agreed that a man named Chan had paid a deposit of \$50 for the floor. On being confronted with the two defendants, the owner identified the second defendant as the man named Chan. Mr. Grimmer stated that under the circumstances he felt justified in withdrawing the charge against the first defendant.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo asked that his client be discharged without a stain on his character. Being a sub-tenant he could not possibly have gained access to the room where the pills were found, and was accordingly discharged, and second defendant remanded one week on bail of \$5,000 for production of the certificates.

AIR PACT URGENTLY REQUIRED

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Germany are construed as a recognition of the fact that the Naval Conference will be of little value. His remarks in regard to the oil embargo are construed as meaning that Britain is prepared to play her part, but that the cooperation of the United States and other countries is essential. Sir Samuel, on this matter, urged Signor Mussolini to agree to reasonable terms, saying "Britain has no wish to humiliate Italy; indeed, she is anxious to see Italy raised morally, politically and socially."

"I appeal to Signor Mussolini and his countrymen," said Sir Samuel in the course of his speech, "to dismiss suspicions of sinister motives behind our support of the League. Italy's friendship is wanted by England. I wish friendship, and I wish them to be firm friends."

PEACE EFFORT

Regarding sanctions, Sir Samuel declared, "It is now possible for practical application of pressure by all League States to be accepted in principle. Meanwhile, France and Britain will continue trying and intend, to redouble their efforts in the short period before the League meeting."

With regard to Egypt, Sir Samuel said, "The Government is not unmindful of Egyptian aspirations and looks forward to Anglo-Egyptian relations being placed on a permanent footing satisfactory to both. The matter is receiving earnest attention."

NORTH CHINA OUTLOOK

Speaking with regard to the North China situation, Sir Samuel said, "Reports have been received regarding the activities of Japanese agents and the recent movement of Japanese troops, supposed to be connected with the autonomy movement. These reports have caused the British Government considerable anxiety. There is already too much inflammable material in Europe and the East for further powder to be added. The nations need a long rest."

Sir Samuel made an apparent effort at restraint while discussing "the serious cloud on the Chinese horizon" that is, the so-called autonomy movement in North China.—*United Press*.

TREATY ALREADY BROKEN

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resolution expelling General Yin Jukeng from its membership. General Yin was president of the body.

The guild favours stern punishment for General Yin and his brother, for their parts in the autonomy movement.

Nanking reports state that the press censorship has been tightened again, after the recent comparative laxity, apparently due to the unexpected turn of events in North China.

The Nanking papers did not publish the news of the departure of General Sung Choh-yuan from Peiping.—*Reuter*.

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